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## Arrivals.

Jan. 8, RODRIGO, Span. bg., 187, Penello, Manila 17th December, General.—CHINESE.

Jan. 9, CLAN ALPINE, Brit. str., 936, Hutchinson, Calcutta 23rd December, Penang 28th, and Singapore 30th, Opium and General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Jan. 9, UNITED SERVICE, Brit. str., 777, Gaine, Shanghai 5th January, General.—BORNEO CO. LIMITED.

Jan. 9, SERPENT, Brit. bk., 268, Carnell, Shanghai 3rd January, Ballast.—WM. PUSTAU & Co.

Jan. 9, APPELINA, Brit. bg., 308, Youill, Yokohama 21st December, Ballast.—ORDER.

Jan. 10, SIR LANCELOT, Brit. sh., 886, Robinson, London 4th October, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Jan. 10, MARY ANN WILSON, Brit. sh., 944, Ritson, Shanghai 5th January, Ballast.—JOHN BURD & Co.

Jan. 10, PATINO, Span. str., Juan Bosch, Manila 7th January, SPANISH CONSUL.

## Departures.

Jan. 10, INGEBURG, for Whampoa.

## Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, JANUARY 9TH.

*Lota*, for Bangkok.
*Arc-en-Ciel*, for Saigon.
*Katarina Maria*, for Yokohama.
*Ingeburg*, for Whampoa.

## Passengers.

Per *Clan Alpine*, str., from Calcutta, &c.—100 Chinese.

Per *Ottawa*, str., from Shanghai,—Mr. and Mrs. Dickenson, 3 children, and European servant, Mr. and Mrs. Cogil, 2 children and European servant, Mr. and Mrs. Maltby, Messrs. Broger, Provent, Balance, Moore, Barren, and 1 Japanese second-class, and 40 Chinese.

## Reports.

The British steamer *Clan Alpine*, from Calcutta, 23rd December, reports having fine weather and light winds on the *Bay of Bengal*, and in the China sea very strong N.E. monsoon with high sea.

The British steamer *Ottawa*, from Shanghai, reports having experienced fine weather and moderate monsoon throughout. On Jan. 7th, at 3.30 P.M. off Tay Islands, passed the M. I. str. *Phase* bound up. On the 6th January, at noon passed the *United Service* steamer off Gutzlaff. On the 8th January, off Breaker Point at 7 A.M., passed the steamer *Titania* bound up. The *Ottawa* carries, 976 bales of Silk, 82 cases Cocoons, 48 cases Silk Eggs, 293 packages of Sundries, and 127 boxes of Treasure.

The British ship *Sir Lancelot*, from London, 4th October, reports having had a gale of wind in the Channel, and afterwards moderate N.E. trade to the line, which was crossed on the 31st December, in long. 25.24 W.; 25 days out. Had light S.E. trades, and moderate winds to the Cape of Good Hope, of the meridian which was crossed on the 21st November; 46 days out. Had steady Westerly winds in running down the Easting, and then light variable winds to Lombock which was sighted on the 20th December; 80 days out. In passing through Allas's Straits on the 22nd December, got ashore on a three fathom patch off Rocky Islands. The ship was ashore for about two hours, and did not sustain much damage. Passed through Salayer Straits on the 24th December, and Bouton Passage on the 26th December. Entered Pitt's Passage on the 27th December, and afterwards went round the Island of Bouro. In the China sea had strong N.E. monsoon with heavy sea to arrival; 98 days out. Spoke on the 28th December, in Pitt's Passage, the British ship *Western Chief* London to Shanghai; 104 days out. On the 3rd of December, saw the North German bark *Robert Rickmers* Bangkok to Hongkong; 25 days out.

THE CANTON STEAMER.

The steamer *Poyang*, left Canton at 9.13 A.M. and arrived here at 3.50 P.M. Cargo box and bale Silk. Reports having fine weather and Easterly winds to Chun-hee, and S.E. from thence to arrival. Passed the steamer *Kin-shan* at 12.00 P.M. noon Tiger Island, and the steamer *Spark* at 12.09 P.M., passed the North German 3-masted schooner *Japan* bound up at 1.24 P.M. Thermometer at Canton 57 degrees. Saloon passengers 2.

## Auction Sales To-day.

RAY & Co.
Sundry Articles.

MEDICAL.—A Gentleman, aged 38, M.D. and F.R.C.S., now Conducting a Practice as *Locum Tenens* of £3,000 a year in the East, is anxious for a similar engagement next June. Terms, £1,000 per annum with board. Address, D. M., *Daily Press* Office.
tf 2199 Hongkong, 24th November, 1868.

WANTED by a good, practical Accountant, EXTRA WORK, such as Book-keeping, &c., or bringing up back accounts. The Advertiser is open to attend any part of the town within certain hours, every day if required, or will undertake work to be done at his own residence. Is competent to assist in making up Average Statements. Address A. B., *Daily Press* Office.
tf 2278 Hongkong, 7th December, 1868.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Owners of British Ship *Ellen* will not be responsible for any debts contracted by her Officers or Crew, without a written order from the Captain or Consignees.
OLYPHANT & Co.
tf 2391 Hongkong, 21st December, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE British steamer *John Bull* is prepared to tow vessels on this river.
WM. G. HALE & Co., *Agents.*
1m 2399 Saigon, 23rd November, 1868.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

THE above HOTEL is now open, where Families and Gentlemen can find superior accommodation.
Private Rooms for Dinner parties.
Breakfast, from 8 to 10 A.M.
Tiffin, 1 to 2 P.M.
Dinner, 7.30 P.M.
*N.B.*—The Public Bar was opened on SATURDAY, the 7th March.
468 Hongkong, 9th March, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, having purchased the Interest of the WANCHI STEAM BAKERY, begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and Shipmasters that he is prepared to furnish Daily Supplies of Soft BREAD, in various forms, to any part of the Colony.
Also, SHIP BREAD, of best quality and at low rates, constantly on hand, or baked in quantities at short notice.
Also, WATER, BUTTER, SODA and SUGAR BISCUITS, by the Barrel, Tin or Pound.
Also, CORN and RYE MEAL, HOMINY, CORN STARCH, BI-CARB SODA, SALERATUS, and CREAM OF TARTAR.
FLOUR of best Brands constantly on hand, supplied by the Barrel, Bag, Tin or Pound.
CAKE of all kinds baked to order.
The above is under the Superintendence of Mr. JONATHAN PARSONS, and all orders forwarded to him, at the Bakery—or left at Messrs. MACEWEN & Co.'s, will receive prompt attention.
L. P. WARD.
6m 1550 Hongkong, 4th September, 1868.

## Banks.

THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 30th August, 1851.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,500,000.
RESERVED FUND, £444,000.

*Court of Directors,*
Harry George Gordon, Esq., Chairman.
George Arbuthnot, Esq.
James Blyth, Esq.
Duncan James Kay, Esq.
J. Binny Key, Esq.
Alexander Mackenzie, Esq.
Eastock Robert Reid, Esq.
James Walker, Esq.
Charles J. F. Stuart, Esq., Chief-Manager.

*Bankers,*
The Bank of England.
The Union Bank of London.
*Agents in Scotland,*
National Bank of Scotland.
Commercial Bank of Scotland.
*Agent in Edinburgh,*
R. Dundas Cay,
28, St. Andrew's Square, Edinburgh.
*Agents in Ireland,*
Provincial Bank of Ireland.
The National Bank.
*Head Office,*
Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.
*Branches and Agencies.*
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PONDICHERRY, KURRACHEE, COLOMBO, POINT DE GALLE, MAURITIUS, MELBOURNE, SYDNEY, SINGAPORE, FOOCHOW, SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

The Corporation receive Money on Deposit repayable on Demand, upon which no Interest is allowed. Current accounts are kept with Firms and Individuals free of Commission.

Money is also received on Fixed Deposit, repayable at Twelve, Six, and Three Months' notice. Rates of interest may be known on application either at the office of the Corporation or by letter addressed to the Manager.

Notice of withdrawal may be given at the time of deposit.

The Corporation discount Bills and Notes payable in Hongkong, having at least two approved names unconnected in general partnership, and they advance upon Bullion and Merchandize, not of a perishable nature, in the custody of the Bank.

*Exchange.*

The Corporation grant Drafts on the Bank of England payable on demand, on the Union Bank of London at Four or Six Months' sight, and on the Head office at shorter sight.

Circular Notes for the use of Travellers are issued, negotiable in all places of importance throughout the world.

Drafts are granted on the several Branches and Agencies of the Corporation, as above, at the Exchange of the day, and on the proper address being furnished will be forwarded direct to the Payees by the Corporation.

Bills payable in Europe, or in any of the above places, are purchased or remitted for collection.

Approved Bills payable in San Francisco are also purchased by the Corporation, and drafts granted, at rates of exchange equivalent to those ruling on London.—Bills of Exchange on San Francisco, or the Atlantic Ports, will likewise be remitted for collection, at the option of Constituents.

All cheques or orders to be made payable to, "The Oriental Bank Corporation."

Information as to the rules of business may be had at the Office, or on application by letter, to the Manager.

Office hours, 10 to 3, Saturday 10 to 1.
JAMES BERWICK, *Acting Manager.*
849 Hongkong, 1st January, 1867.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

Incorporated by National Decrees of 7th and 8th May, 1848, and by Imperial Decrees of 25th July, 1854, and 31st December, 1866.

RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30TH APRIL, 1862.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.—Francs 80,000,000.—£3,200,000.

RESERVED FUND.—Francs 20,000,000.—£800,000.

LONDON BANKERS.—UNION BANK OF LONDON.

HEAD OFFICE: 14, RUE BERGÈRE, PARIS. AGENCIES AT LONDON, NANTES, LYONS, BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, SAIGON, SAINT DENIS (ILE DE LA RÉUNION) AND YOKOHAMA.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

THIS BANK issues Drafts, on its Paris Head Office, on the UNION BANK OF LONDON, and on its Agencies in London, Bombay, Calcutta, Shanghai, Bourbon, Saigon, and Yokohama, and on the principal places of Commerce on the Continent of Europe, India, America, China, Australia, &c.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS are kept, upon which no Commission is charged, and no Interest allowed.

BILLS on Europe, India, America, Australia, &c. &c., are purchased or remitted for collection.

LOCAL BILLS discounted, and LOANS granted on Merchandize, &c., &c.

LETTERS OF CREDIT issued, available for the purchase of Merchandize in all parts of the World, on terms to be ascertained on application to the Manager.
E. DELBANCO, *Manager.*

*Offices in Hongkong:—*
BANK BUILDINGS, QUEEN'S ROAD.
Hongkong, December, 1868. [790

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.—5,000,000 of Dollars.

*Court of Directors:—*
Chairman—GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—JULIUS MENKE, Esq.

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| George J. Helland, Esq. | A. Joost, Esq. |
| William Lemann, Esq. | S. P. Gottschalk, Esq. |
| W. H. Forbes, Esq. | Richard Rowett, Esq. |
| S. D. Sassoon, Esq. | E. R. Belilios, Esq. |
| Honble. J. B. Taylor. | |

*Managers:—*
Hongkong—Victor Kressen, Esq., Chief Manager.
Shanghai—David McLean, Esq.
*London Bankers—London and County Bank.*

HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months' 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 12 " 5 " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

*Credits*—granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

*Drafts*—granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
VICTOR KRESSER, *Chief Manager.*
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
tf 1062 Hongkong, 1st January, 1869.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE General Dividend of Dollars Three Hundred and fifty ($350) per Share will be payable at the Office of the Company, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants, on and after the 15th instant.
By order,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., *General Agents.*
1m 2311 Hongkong, 10th December, 1868.

## Banks.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.
CAPITAL PAID-UP £750,000.
With power to increase to £1,500,000.
Reserve Fund, £145,902 14s. 8d.
*Head-Office—No. 65, Old Broad Street, London, E.C.*

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
George Garden Nicol, Esq.—*Chairman.*
Donald Larnach, Esq.
George May, Esq.
Sir Frederick J. Halliday.
James M. Robertson, Esq.
Ellis James Gilman, Esq.
David Trail Robertson, Esq.—*Chief-Manager.*

LONDON BANKERS.
Bank of England.
London Joint Stock Bank.

SOLICITORS.
Messrs. Clarke, Sons, & Rawlins, Coleman St.

AUDITORS.
Messrs. Coleman, Turquand, Youngs & Co., Public Accountants.
J. Smith, Esq., of Messrs. W. Nicol & Co., Bombay.
James Joseph Mackenzie, Esq., late of Messrs Dent & Co., China.

*Branches and Agencies*
Bombay.
Calcutta.
Madras.
Ceylon { Colombo. Kandy. Galle.
Singapore.
Penang.
Foochow.
Shanghai.
Yokohama.
Hankow.
Mauritius.
Saigon.
Batavia.

EDINBURGH DEPOSIT AGENCY,
128, George Street.
CHARLES PEARSON, Esq., C.A.—Agent.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

*Current deposits.*—Accounts are kept on which no interest is allowed and no charge made for collecting Bills, Cheques, &c.

*Fixed deposits.*—Are received viz.:—
Repayable at 12 months ... 6 % per annum.
" at 6 " ... 5 % per annum.

The Bank discounts Local Bills, and Notes payable in Hongkong having at least two approved names unconnected in general partnership, and makes advances on approved Banking Securities.

*Exchange.*

The Bank issues drafts on its London Office, and on the London Joint Stock Bank at four months' sight, also on its Branches above, and Agents in Scotland, Ireland, Melbourne, Sydney and Towns in Australia, New Zealand &c. and grants Circular Notes for the use of travellers negotiable in all Towns of importance throughout the world.

Bills payable in Europe, or in any of the above mentioned places are purchased or remitted for collection.

Further information as to the rules of business may be obtained at the office, or on application by letter to the Manager.

Office hours:—10 to 3. Saturday 10 to 1.
WILLIAM JACKSON, *Manager.*
2, Queen's Road, 24th July, 1867.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

F. A. WHEELER begs to announce to his patrons and the public generally, that he has removed to No. 29, *Queen's Road Central*, (opposite LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s,) where he hopes by attention to business to receive a continuance of their patronage.
tf 24 Hongkong, 4th January, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE Office of the undersigned has this day been REMOVED to No. 22a, corner of *Stanley and Pottinger Streets.*
GRUN & Co.
tf 2378 Hongkong, 17th December, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Office of the Agency of P. M. S. S. COMPANY is REMOVED to *Praya West*, next door below HARBOUR MASTER'S Office.
GEO. F. BOWMAN, *Agent.*
tf 2484 Hongkong, 29th October, 1867.

REMOVAL.

THE Undersigned have REMOVED their Stock of Shipchandlery, Lamps, and General Merchandise, to the *Praya* front of their *Queen's Road* Premises.
DE SILVER & Co.
tf 1114 Hongkong, 16th June, 1868.

NOTICE.

ESTATE OF DENT & Co.

A FIRST Dividend of Ten per centum, upon the amount of all claims admitted by the Trustees, will be paid on the 1st of January next.

On application to the undersigned, at the office of the Trustees, *Pedder's Hill*, Creditors will be furnished with warrants signed by the Trustees, which will be payable at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.
By order of the Trustees,
E. WHEELEY.
tf 2232 Hongkong, 30th November, 1868.

BELLE VUE HOUSE.

HOLLYWOOD ROAD, No. 6, next door to HOTEL D'EUROPE, lately occupied by Mrs. VINTON.
The Undersigned has opened the above House as a private board and lodging establishment.
CHARLES F. SEABURG.
tf 2283 Hongkong, 7th December, 1868.

NOTICE.

NOW publishing, a series of Photographic Views of Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, Characteristic Groups, &c., &c., by the undersigned, about 150 Photographs to select from.
In sets of 50, mounted, price $30.00.
" " 25, " " 20.00.
" " 50 unmounted, " 25.00.
" " 25 " " 15.00.
FLOYD & Co.
tf 1303 Hongkong, 21st September, 1868.

NOTICE.

MR. J. THOMSON begs to intimate that he is now publishing a series of 40 Views of Hongkong, price $25.
10 Views from plates 14 by 9.
26 do. do. 10 " 8.
4 small instantaneous subjects of Dragon Feast.
tf 1713 Hongkong, 10th September, 1868.

EX "WHITEHALL."

CHRISTY'S Felt HATS and Drab SHELLS. Newest Shape and Style.
SAYLE & Co., VICTORIA EXCHANGE.
tf 2226 Hongkong, 27th November, 1868.

FOR SALE.

SIX Copies, "Portraits of Men of Eminence in Literature, Science, and Art," with Biographical memoirs, from 1862 to 1867. Edited by EDWARD WALFORD, M.A.; the Photographs from Life by ERNEST EDWARDS, B.A.
Apply to J. H. E., *Daily Press.*
1m 2389 Hongkong, 21st December, 1868.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. Tennent, Glasgow, and Messrs. David Corsar & Sons Arbroath.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
tf 419 Hongkong, January, 1867.

THOS. EDWARD HAWKINS (LATE OF BENGAL HORSE ARTILLERY.) VETERINARY SURGEON & FARRIER, *Rear of Murray Barracks, Hongkong.*
All Horses carefully Shod under his own superintendence. Sick Horses attended to at Gentlemen's Stables.
tf 1994 Hongkong, 22nd October, 1868.

## Auction.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

RAY & Co. will sell by Public Auction,
*THIS DAY,*
the 11th January, 1869, at Noon,
*At their Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—*
An Invoice of assorted patterns WALL PAPER.
An Invoice of Cut GLASS WARE, comprising Claret JUGS, Porter GLASSES, Finger BOWLS, BOTTLES, &c., &c.
An Invoice of CHANDELIERS.
10 Cases TUMBLERS.
10 Pieces Huckaback TOWELLING.
55 " China FIGURES.
5 " Green LUSTRES.
15 " Princetta CLOTH, all wool.
5 " Blue Russell CORDS.
2 " Colored French MERINO.
10 " all wool Black CLOTH.
6 " Black Union CLOTHS.
18 Gross Moulded COLLARS.
50 Dozen United COLLARS and SCARFS.
3 Pieces White FLANNELS.
50 Pairs BOOTS.
10 Dozen CALFSKIN.
6 " Blue SKIVERS.
500 lbs. Sole LEATHER.
8 PORTMANTEAUX.
12 each STEELYARDS, capacity 40 lbs., 60 lbs., 80 lbs., 130 lbs., 180 lbs., and 200 lbs.
12 each Pocket STEELYARDS, capacity 16 lbs., 20 lbs., 30 lbs., 40 lbs., 50 lbs., 56 lbs., and 60 lbs.
3 large Hearth RUGS.
100 Dozen Japanese CUPS and SAUCERS, of superior workmanship.
100 Dozen Powder FLASKS.
20 Bags, each 28 lbs., No. 9 LEAD SHOT.
50 Mille Percussion CAPS.
50 Mille CIGARS.
37 Dozen French MUSTARD.
25 Dozen French BLACKING.
10 Dozen white, blue, and yellow Glass SPOONS.
10 Cases, each 20 RIFLE and MUSKETS.
3 Casks American BUTTER (Sills packer)
10 Barrels American PORK.
6 Cases English Loaf SUGAR, in 6 lbs. Loaves.
10 Bales OAKUM.
100 Dozen EAU DE COLOGNE.
1 Cask Sheet ZINC.
5 Cwt. Green PAINT.
5 Cwt. Black PAINT.
5 Cwt. White ZINC.
10 Casks Stockholm PITCH.
10 Pieces CHINTZ.
5 Casks Washing SODA.
5,000 Mille CARTRIDGES.
&c., &c., &c.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
87 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BOWRA & Co.

WILL sell by Public Auction,
*TO-MORROW,*
the 12th January, 1869, at 11 o'clock A.M.,—on the Premises, *Queen's Road West*, Two doors West from the "London Inn."
Sundry HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, GLASSWARE, CROCKERY-WARE, a large Collection of ENGRAVINGS and PAINTINGS, &c., &c., &c.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
49 Hongkong, 6th January, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. will sell by Public Auction,
*TO-MORROW,*
the 12th January, 1869, at Noon.
*At their Sales Rooms, Queen's Road Central,—*
10 Pieces all wool COATINGS.
20 " Colored FLANNELS.
60 " Satin FIGURES, assorted colors.
30 Dozen Grey Lambswool Men's SOCKS.
40 " Fancy Striped wool SOCKS.
100 " Children's wool SOCKS.
20 " Silk HANDKERCHIEFS.
90 " NAPKINS.
100 Reams NOTE PAPER.
300 Dozen Assorted SCENTS and Hair OIL.
10 Barrels PORK.
15 " SALMON.
5 " Bright VARNISH.
30 Drums Hubbuck's BOILED OIL.
10 Cases MUSKETS.
30 REVOLVERS and POUCHES, and AMMUNITION.
30 Kegs ROSE NAILS, assorted sizes.
5 Cases CHEESE.
34 Jars Cork CUTTER.
30 Bags Manila COFFEE.
5 Cases ½ SARDINES.
25 " ¼ SARDINES.
50 " BRANDY.
40 Casks Bass's ALE, in quarts and pints.
800 Dozen Assorted Colors Glass PLATES.
50 Pairs BLUCHERS.
3 Coils Bolt ROPE, large size.
5 " Deep Sea LINES.
And a quantity of other GOODS.
*Also,*
*Ex "Red Deer,"*
VH & C. 349/350—2 Bales, each 15 pieces DUTCH DRILLS.
*(More or less Damaged by Sea Water).*
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
71 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

JAPANESE CURIOS.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Executor to sell by Public Auction,
*TO-MORROW,*
the 12th January, 1869, at 2.30 P.M.,
*At his Sales Room,*
"COMMERCIAL BANK BUILDINGS,"
The balance of the property of the late W. GASKELL, Esq.—
A choice collection of JAPANESE CURIOS, comprising—
Ivory, Bronze, and Crystal Shirt STUDS.
" " " Sleeve STUDS.
" " " CHARMS.
" " " Scarf PINS.
Dressing GOWN, FANS, PICTURES, Tobacco POUCHES, BOXES, SAUCERS, KNIVES, Lacquered DISHES, CUPS, Crystal EARRINGS, BROOCHES, &c., &c., &c.
A Handsome Scarf PIN, Opal and Diamond.
*Also,*
A small collection of Japanese BRONZES, CRYSTALS, CABINETS, STUDS, TRAYS, BOXES, &c., &c., &c.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
J. M. ARMSTRONG, *Auctioneer.*
72 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

H. I. M.'s Hulk "*DEMERARA*" will be Sold at Auction, as she now lies in the Macao Reach at Canton, on
*WEDNESDAY,*
the 13th instant, at noon precisely.—
The bulk comprises Hull, Complete.
No Masts or Yards.
Windlass Complete.
3 Large Anchors.
90 Fathoms Chains.
2 Iron Claws.
1 Pair Boat Davits.
6 Chain Hooks.
1 Lot old Iron Shots, &c.
Pure Copper Sheathing and Bolts.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on Mexican Dollars at 7.1.7. One-fourth of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and balance within 48 hours. Property to be at the risk of purchaser from the fall of the hammer.
By order of the Superintendent of Customs,
B. MARKWICK, *Auctioneer.*
69 Canton, 8th January, 1869.

## Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on
*FRIDAY,*
the 15th day of January, 1869, at 12 o'clock,—
*At his Sales Room,*
"COMMERCIAL BANK BUILDINGS."—
All those lots of LAND, situated at *Sowkewan* and registered in the Land office as:—
Inland Lot No. 105, containing in the whole 9,000 square feet.
Inland Lot No. 106, containing in the whole 3,000 square feet.
Inland Lot No. 107, containing in the whole 9,000 square feet.
Inland Lot No. 108, containing in the whole 3,000 square feet.
Inland Lot No. 118, containing in the whole 2,500 square feet.
Inland Lot No. 187, containing in the whole 4,000 square feet.
After which, and at the same place, will be sold.—
Inland Lot No. 1[illegible], containing in the whole 12,475 square feet.
For further particulars, apply to the undersigned.
TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the Balance on completion of the deeds of Transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the purchaser. Property to be at the risk of the Purchaser from the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG, *Auctioneer.*
40 Hongkong, 5th January, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Mortgagees to sell by Public Auction, on
*WEDNESDAY,*
the 3rd of March, 1869, at noon,
on the premises, under the power of sale contained in the Deed of Mortgage,—
That spacious, handsome, and conveniently situated DWELLING HOUSE, on *Caine Road*, built on Inland Lot 157, with the out-offices and extensive ground attaching the Lot—measures on the north and northwest 138 feet, on the south (*Caine Road*) 132 feet, on the east 346 feet, and on the west 331 feet—the total area being 45,103 square feet. The ground rent is $199.48 per annum.
For further particulars, apply to the Undersigned.
TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, the balance on completion of the deed of transfer, all expenses of Transfer to be paid by the purchaser. The property to be at the risk of Purchaser from the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG, *Auctioneer.*
62 Hongkong, 8th January, 1869.

H. B. M. Gunboats "HARDY" and "DRAKE" will be

SOLD BY AUCTION, at the NAVAL YARD, Hongkong, on
*TUESDAY,*
the 9th February, 1869, (unless previously disposed of by private agreement).
The *Hardy* is of 233 tons and 60 horse power.
The *Drake* " 233 " 40 "
The following are the articles to be sold with each vessel, viz.:—
*With the "Hardy."*
Hull complete.
No masts or yards.
2 Anchors.
112½ Fathoms Cable.
Awnings complete, with Iron Stanchions.
Davits for 2 Boats.
1 Dingy, 14 feet.
4 Oars and Awning.
2 Downton's pumps (1 complete).
A pair of 30 Horse Power high pressure engines by Messrs. MAUDSLAY, SONS AND FIELD, in fair working order. A set of 3 boilers, considerably worn but repairable.
*Spare Gear.*
Cylinder Cover, ... 1 in No.
Cross Head, ... 1 "
Eccentric Ring, ... 1 "
Piston and Rod, ... 1 "
Propeller (brass), ... 1 "
Rod connecting, complete, 1 "
Feed pump rod, ... 1 "
Bilge do. do. ... 1 "
Slide do. ... 1 "
Guide blocks, ... 2 "
*With the "Drake."*
Masts complete.
Yards do.
Rigging do.
1 Anchor.
100 Fathoms Cable.
Awnings complete.
Davits for 3 boats.
1 Dingy, 14 feet.
2 Oars.
2 Downton's pumps.
All standing sails, but square foresail.
A 40 Horse Power high pressure engine by Messrs. PENN AND SONS, in good working order.
The boilers of this vessel have been taken out.
*Spare Gear.*
Cylinder Cover, ... 1 in No.
Eccentric Ring (brass), 1 "
Piston, ... 1 "
do. Rod, ... 1 "
Plumber block brasses, ... 1 pair.
Propeller (brass), ... 1 in No.
Rod connecting, complete, 1 "
Feed pump rod, ... 1 "
Bilge do. do. ... 1 "
Slide do. ... 1 "
Guide block, ... 1 "
A. H. PRICE, *Naval Storekeeper.*
tf 2222 Hongkong, 27th November, 1868.

FOR SALE.

THE Cargo of the "*Shirley*," from New York.
1,182 Tons Pittston COAL.
75 OARS, 16 feet long.
125 " 18 " "
12 hf.-bbls. Dried APPLES.
100 Bales Navy OAKUM.
194 Pieces White PINE PLANKS, 8,745 ft.
99 " OAK " 6,538 "
30 HANDSPIKES.
Stow TRUCKS, ROSIN, PITCH, and TAR.
Apply to
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
14d 37 Hongkong, 5th January, 1869.

TENDERS for the Painting and Whitewashing of H. M. *Princess Charlotte*, *Melville*, and *Flasher*, will be received at H. M.'s Naval Yard, on or before the 14th instant, at noon.
Particulars of which can be obtained at this Yard.
A. H. PRICE, *Naval Storekeeper.*
H. M.'s Naval Yard,
Hongkong, 9th January, 1869. [6d 64

NOTICE.

J. H. BARRELET, WATCHMAKER,
No. 94, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
tf 65 Hongkong, 9th January, 1869.

PACIFIC AGENCY OF THE AMERICAN CLOCK COMPANY.

WE invite the attention of the trade to the establishment of a Branch of our New York House in San Francisco. We are sole agents of the
E. N. WELCH MANUFACTURING Co.,
SETH THOMAS CLOCK Co.,
NEW HAVEN CLOCK Co., and
SETH THOMAS' SONS & Co.
We have lately received a full line of Clocks, Regulators, Calendars, Mantle Clocks in Bronze and Marble, and Clock Materials, which we offer at very low rates to the trade. On application, Dealers will be provided with Catalogues and Price Lists of all our goods.
AMERICAN CLOCK COMPANY,
30, *Sansome St., San Francisco.*
H. MOLINEUX, *Agent.* [1m 67 Jan. 9

## Intimations.

FOR SAIGON.

THE A 1 French Barque
"BERTHE,"
will have quick dispatch for the above port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
LANDSTEIN & Co.
tf 81 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

THE Captain of the Belg. ship *Frederic* begs to notify that he will not hold himself responsible for any debts contracted by officers or crew of said vessel.
CAPT. NICAISE, Capt. Belg. ship *Frederic.*
tf 82 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

REMOVAL.

THE Undersigned have REMOVED to No. 3, *Graham Street*, opposite to *Endicott Lane*. Gentlemen wishing to patronize them, are requested to apply at the above place.
KEE-CHEONG-WING, Fancy Goods Store.
2w 83 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

NOTICE.

I HEREBY beg to give notice, that on and after this date, I will not hold myself responsible for any debts that my wife, JULIANA THOMPSON, may incur.
EDWARD THOMPSON.
Alw 88 Hongkong, 9th January, 1869.

NOTIFICATION.

H. C. CHUO-CHAO FU,
*December 23rd, 1868.*

THE Undersigned has been instructed by H.M.'s Minister to declare the City of Chuo-chao Fu open to British residence and Trade.

The local authorities have been notified to this effect, and will I am assured give Foreigners the assistance and protection it is obligatory on them to afford, and an officer of this Consulate will be permanently stationed at the City, to afford incoming British residents and visitors such aid as they may require.

The Custom-house arrangements will not for the present at least be affected by the change, and with reference to the transit of goods hence to Chuo chao Fu, it has been arranged that British merchants importing goods there shall be provided with a pass from this office, which will clear them at the various barriers.

Opium will be dealt with as heretofore; promissory notes payable on the approval of H.M.'s Minister, and not otherwise, being accepted by the local authorities in satisfaction of the disputed claim for Lekin.

Intending visitors to the City will for the present do well to give notice to H.M.'s Consulate at Swatow, a day or two previous to their departure, and the undersigned cannot too strongly recommend the necessity of prudence and patience in the first residents. There does not seem to be any active ill-feeling continuing among the people, but the curiosity of the children may be annoying, and a very little matter might at any moment stir up a tumult among people so turbulent, and easily excited, as those of Chuo-chao Fu.
CHAL. ALABASTER, *Acting Consul.*
14d 85

BILLIARDS, BOWLS, AND BAR.

NOTICE.

THE ORIENTAL BAR, BILLIARD ROOMS, and BOWLING ALLEYS having been enlarged and fitted up in a very superior style, unequalled by any in the Colony, the Proprietors reopen the above on MONDAY, the 11th of January, 1869, to their friends and the public, and trust with civility, good liquors, and the well-known reputation of this old established house, to merit a share of their Patronage.

There are three First-class Billiard Tables in a large, airy, and well lighted room; the Bowling Alley needs no comment.
BROWN & Co., *Proprietors.*
tf 86 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

FOR SALE, *Ex str. "China."*

FRESH CALIFORNIA APPLES.
RAY & Co.
5d 70 Hongkong, 9th January, 1869.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of Shareholders of this Company will be held at the office of the Company, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th day of January next, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Statement of Accounts with the Report of the Directors, and of declaring a Dividend.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., *General Agents.*
28d 2404 Hongkong, 24th December, 1868.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer books of the Company will be closed from the 4th day to the 19th day of January next, inclusive.
By order of the Board of Directors,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., *General Agents.*
27d 2405 Hongkong, 24th December, 1868.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY, 1869-71.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Mr. JAMES KENNARD DAVIS has been appointed Agent at Hongkong, and is authorized to sign all Policies of Insurance, and generally to transact the business of the Company, on and after 1st January, 1869.
By order of the Court of Directors,
HERBERT S. MORRIS, *Secretary.*
3m 2411 Shanghai, 12th December, 1868.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to Furnish the Undersigned with a list of Premia contributed by them up to the 31st October last, to afford the distribution of the 25 % Profit reserved for the Contributors to the Company.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., *General Agents.*
1m 2 Hongkong, 1st January, 1869.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE.

SHARES Nos. 205, 206, 207 have been placed in the hands of the Society FOR SALE. Sealed Tenders for purchase of the same, marked "Tender for Share No. ," will be received until FRIDAY, 15th January, 1869.
By order of the Board of Directors,
ROBERT WATMORE, *Secretary.*
14d 11 Hongkong, 2nd January, 1869.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the Eighth call of Fifty Dollars on the new Stock of the above-named Company is due on the 1st March next, and will be payable at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, where receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum will be charged after the above date.
By order of the Board of Directors,
GEORGE N. MINTO, *Secretary.*
tf 2243 Hongkong, 1st December, 1868.

## Intimations.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that the adjourned General MEETING will be held at the Company's Hotel, TO-MORROW, the 12th instant, at 2.30 P.M.
By order of the Board of Directors,
C. LANGDON DAVIES, *Secretary.*
2d 76 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

THE Undersigned hereby intimates that he has this day received the appointment of SURVEYOR TO FRENCH LLOYDS, under date of December 22nd, 1868.
ROBT. McMURDO.
tf 73 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Owner and the Captain of the North German barque *Sirene*, are not responsible for any debts contracted by her officers or crew.
*Agent of the North German barque Sirene.*
tf 74 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

WANTED ON BOTTOMRY.

ABOUT $6,000 (Dollars Six Thousand), for repairs of the British ship *Douglass*, Morrison, Master, on a voyage hence to San Francisco.
Applications to be made until TO-MORROW, the 12th instant, at noon, to the Undersigned.
BOSMAN & Co.
2d 75 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

*In re* LEONG-A-TAI, otherwise LEONG-WAH-TYE, otherwise LEONG-WAH-HEEN, otherwise LEONG-HENG-TENT.—*Bankrupt.*

NOTICE.—The above named Bankrupt having this *Eighth day of January, One thousand, Eight hundred and Sixty-nine*, passed his last examination, the hearing of the application by the said Bankrupt for his discharge stands adjourned to *Friday*, the *Twenty-second day of January instant*, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon.
W. H. ALEXANDER, *Registrar.*
Supreme Court House,
Hongkong, 9th January, 1869. [12d 77

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG

IN BANKRUPTCY.

*In re* NG-LAN-TONG, otherwise NG-TOONG-HOY.—*Bankrupt.*

NOTICE.—The above name Bankrupt having this *Eight day of January, One thousand Eight hundred and Sixty-nine*, passed his last examination, the hearing of the application by the said Bankrupt for his discharge stands adjourned to *Friday*, the *Twenty-second January instant*, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon.
W. H. ALEXANDER, *Registrar.*
Supreme Court House,
Hongkong, 9th January, 1869. [12d 78

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE Steamship
"KWANG-TUNG,"
Capt. Pitman, will leave for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 12th instant, at 8 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
79 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

STEAM TO SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamship
"CADIZ,"
will leave for the above places at 10 A.M. on WEDNESDAY, the 13th instant.
W. MACAULAY, *Superintendent.*
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, 11th January, 1869. [2d 80

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

HANS KLIER, of Bank Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, Assistant to S. L. HEINEMANN, Broker, having been adjudged Bankrupt under a Petition for adjudication of Bankruptcy filed in the Supreme Court of Hongkong in Bankruptcy on the *Twenty first day of October*, A.D., 1868, a public sitting for the said Bankrupt to pass his last examination, and make application for his order of discharge, will be held before the Honorable JOHN SMALE, Esquire, Chief Justice of the said Court, at the Supreme Court House, Victoria, Hongkong on the *Fifteenth day of January*, 1869, at Eleven of the Clock in the forenoon precisely.

FREDERICK SOWLEY HUFFAM, Esquire, Supreme Court House, is the Official Assignee, and Mr. EDMUND SHARP is the Solicitor acting in the Bankruptcy.
4d 84 Hongkong, 9th day of January, A.D. 1869.

## Notices to Consignees.

P. M. S. S. Co.'s S. S. "*CHINA*," FROM SAN FRANCISCO AND YOKOHAMA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo not called for within twenty-four hours after arrival, will be landed and stored at risk and expense of the Consignees.
GEO. F. BOWMAN, *Agent.*
68 Hongkong, 8th January, 1869.

CONSIGNEES of Cotton per S. S. *Catherine Apcar* are hereby informed that the same will be landed and stored in our Godown E, Marine Lot 63, at ship's expense, but shipper's risk, and delivery may be had at any time prior to the 15th instant, after which date Godown rent will be charged.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., *Agents.*
7d 48 Hongkong, 6th January, 1869.

"BANDA," FROM LIVERPOOL.

THE above-named vessel having arrived in harbour, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 16 Hongkong, 4th January, 1869.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the steamer *Viscount Canning*, from Bombay, are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
YUEN FAT HONG, *Agents, str. "Vis. Canning."*
14d 6 Hongkong, 2nd January, 1869.

THE following cases have been landed and stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees, who are requested to take immediate delivery.

*Ex "Hoogly" 31st October, 1868.*

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| VC 827 | 1 | Case | Arms. | |

*Ex "Tigre," 6th January, 1869.*

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| P 850 | 1 | Case | Books. |
| MC 23 | 1 | " | Watches. |
| LO 1/4 | 4 | " | Revolvers. |
| " 5 & 5 bis | 2 | " | Shell Screws. |
| " 6 & 7 | 2 | " | Pistols. |
| Eusebio d'Aquino | 1 | " | Papers. |
| HC & C BO. 361/70 | 10 | " | Opium. |

C. BERTRAND, *Principal Agent.*
tf 1056 Hongkong, 7th January, 1869.

### UNDER DISPATCH.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per *Kwang-tung*, To-morrow, the 12th instant, at 8 A.M.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per *Cadiz*, on Wednesday, the 13th inst., at 10 a.m.

For Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.—Per *Catherine Apcar*, on Wednesday, the 13th inst., at 2 p.m.


### The Chronicle and Directory for 1869.

NOW READY.

THE edition for 1869 is now ready. A few copies are bound and ready for delivery THIS MORNING, the remainder of the edition will be prepared day by day during the week. Purchasers will be supplied in the order of their applications.

*The Daily Press* Office, 11th January, 1869.


### NOTICE.

THE Editorial department of the *Daily Press* and *Overland Trade Report* has this day been placed in the hands of Mr. ALBERT CURTIS DULCKEN.

W. H. BELL, *Lessee.*

*Daily Press* Office, Hongkong, January 1st, 1869.

The delivery of the *Daily Press* from this office commenced on Saturday morning at 10.10, and the last messengers left the office at 10.30.

# The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 11TH, 1869.

A STORY is told by a Russian writer that, when on the death of NICHOLAS, the Emperor ALEXANDER II. liberated all the prisoners in the citadel, the Superintendent of the Gaols found, in a vaulted tomb, in which it was impossible to stand upright, and which was not more than two yards long, an old man, almost bent double, and incapable of answering when he was spoken to. He had been in the dungeon more than fifty years. When he was taken out, he could not bear the light, and by a strange phenomenon, his movements had become automatic. He could hardly hold himself up, and he had become so accustomed to move about within the limits of his narrow cell, that he could not take more than two steps forwards without turning round, as though he had struck against a wall, and taking two steps backwards, and so on alternately. The writer states that the prisoner lived only for a week after his liberation. For the last two thousand years, or longer, the "Sick man," China, has been in a state of incarceration like that of the unlucky Russian prisoner. He has been so hemmed in by his own prejudice and exclusiveness; that he has almost forgotten the existence of the world without, while pacing to and fro' in his dark and narrow cell. The results of his incarceration, too, have been similar to those thus described. The outside world have at last heard of his imprisonment, and have come forward to bring him out into the sunshine of liberty and progress. But he has become so used to his cell, that he blinks at the light, feels ill at ease, and wishes to return to his dungeon to continue there pacing to and fro' in the dark. His kindly doctors gratify his whim by allowing him to keep in his prison the greater part of the day, only bringing him out for short periods, when strangely enough, the same phenomenon is observed with him as with the old Russian. His movements have become automatic, and he cannot take more than two steps forward, without turning round "as though he had struck against a wall, and taking two steps backwards, and so on alternately." But the peculiarity of the case does not end here. The patient's mind is affected, as well as his body, and he is fully persuaded that, by this pacing to and fro', he is rapidly advancing. At times light seems faintly to dawn upon the old man's mind; never, however, sufficiently to enable him really to know and to appreciate his situation, but only so far as to make him aware that there is something wrong with him. He then gets melancholy, and attributes all his ills to the doctors, who are endeavouring to cure him. He declares they are murderers, who wish only to take away his life, and, retiring to his dark dungeon, sits down in despair and wrings his hands, lamenting in piteous accents that he is not permitted to continue in the peaceable enjoyment of what he fondly looks upon as the perfection of human happiness and civilization. Many fear that, like the Russian prisoner, he will not live for a week if brought out at once and suddenly into the open day. But the difficulty is, that he perversely insists upon more and more retirement into his den; and his system is in so delicate a state, that though well aware that gratifying his whim will lead to his death, his doctors do not care to oppose it, for fear of the same danger arising on the other side, in which case the responsibility of the old fellow's demise might be laid upon their shoulders; the more so, as he possesses valuable estates, now utterly neglected, which, at his death would fall into the hands of his doctors or their friends. Nobody, but the old gentleman himself, however, doubts that they are acting conscientiously, and doing the best they can to enable the sick man to recover his health; as it is clear to all, who have looked into the matter, that more would be gained by curing him, and letting him manage his estates, with the assistance or co-operation of the Doctors' friends, than by the territories falling into their hands. The treatment that is being so carefully administered would probably prove effectual, but for one most unlucky circumstance. So suspicious has the patient grown, that, instead of trusting to professional men, whose experience and skill might be equal to effecting his cure, he has called in a non-professional. This individual knowing his language, and feigning a great admiration for his ideas, has so worked upon his feelings that the old man has placed himself and his interests almost entirely in the hands of this artful and designing quack, who has persuaded him that the Doctors are his enemies, and that, though, to keep the peace, he had better consult them from time to time, he should not abide by what they say, but stick to his own ideas of the perfection and beauty of his dark narrow cell. For this dangerous and pernicious advice the sick man pays his quack doctor handsomely; and those who are sincerely desirous to do him good, are beginning to despair of ever being able to accomplish anything and to fear that he will go on making two steps forward and two steps backward, till he retires, for the last time, to his cell, and there dies in his ignorance and darkness.

In mentioning the accident which happened to Mr. Deane, on Friday, a slight inaccuracy occurred. Mr. Deane was not riding with his brother, as stated, and was not very seriously injured, although much shaken.

The first of the Tea Clippers has arrived here. The *Sir Lancelot*, which arrived on Sunday morning, making a passage out in 95 days. Her greatest run in one day, of 24 hours, during the voyage, was 345 miles, or very nearly fourteen and a-half knots an hour.

It is stated that the following changes have taken place among the commanders of the P. & O. Company's steamers in this port. Captain Edmunds, of the the *Cadiz*, takes command of the *Ottawa*, and Mr. Steed is promoted to the command of the *Cadiz*. Captain Eyre goes home by the present mail.

The P. and O. steamer *Ottawa* will take the next English mail North, instead of the *Cadiz*, as originally intended. This latter vessel is loading for the coast for the second time. On the first occasion, after taking in cargo, the destination of the steamer was changed, and her freight put on board the *Formosa*. The company's steamer *Aden* was to leave Shanghai yesterday for this port. The steamer *Sultan*, which went direct from here to Yokohama, arrived there on the 30th ultimo.

In consequence of the unusually cold season, which we have experienced this year, it is supposed that the more delicate portion of the 75th Regiment have suffered rather severely from coughs and colds. Yesterday, in consequence of the constant fire of short coughs, hacking coughs, and down-right barks, which were kept up by the soldiers attending Divine Service at the Cathedral, the discourse of our worthy Bishop was inaudible in the body of the church.

On Saturday last, while the P. & O. steamer *Ottawa* was steaming from alongside the *Travancore* to her berth below *Fort William*, by some cause, she ran into the British ship *Celestial Queen*, striking her just forward of fore-rigging on the starboard side. The *Celestial Queen* has her main rail, top gallant rail, bulwarks, and covering board damaged to some extent, and had not Captain Eyre, as he said he did, backed the steamer in time; there is no doubt the damage would have been much more serious.

Below will be found the preface of the *Chronicle and Directory for China, Japan, and the Philippines for* 1869, published to-day, at the office of this paper. The nature of the new publication is so clearly set forth, and the work, now in its Seventh Year, so well known to the public, that further remarks are unnecessary:—

PREFACE.

The Publisher of the "Chronicle and Directory" is glad to be able again to place the work in the hands of his Subscribers at an early date. No pains have been spared in making the necessary alterations, and in noting the various changes which have taken place among the Foreign residents and Mercantile firms during the past year.

Many of the difficulties, which were experienced in bringing out the last "Chronicle and Directory," have been removed, by the more complete organisation of the system on which the necessary information is collected, and everything having been done in order to obtain accurate returns up to the last moment, the publisher feels confident that this work will be found fully to sustain the reputation it has already acquired. It is not too much to say, that it contains more information concerning China than is condensed in any other one volume.

As it will doubtless be remembered, an addition to the scope of this work was made last year by the introduction of a list of five hundred Chinese Hongs doing business with Foreigners, and classified according to their various *specialités*. The occurrence of the disastrous fire, shortly afterwards, rendered this part of the work, prepared at no inconsiderable pains, of less value than it should have been; but, in the present volume, the list is re-introduced, very carefully revised, so that the new residence of the Chinese merchants will be all found duly indicated. Several new features have been introduced, which will add considerably to the usefulness of the Directory, perhaps the most practical being the Time and Post Office Tables. The former, compiled from the more detailed tables previously published, give in a succinct form the dates on which the P. & O. steamers leave Hongkong, when due in London, when the return mail leaves Home, and when the answer is due in Hongkong; and are supplemented by a new table showing the movements of mails between Hongkong and the Australian colonies; that is, the dates of departure from Hongkong, of arrival at Galle, and of departure thence for Sydney. Both these additions will be of considerable value.

The "Chronicle and Directory" is published, as last year, in two forms; the one being the "Directory" properly so called, at the price of $3, and the other being the complete volume, with the records of seven years, at the price of $5. While the former will answer the requirements of ordinary business, the latter, it may be confidently stated, embodies such valuable statistical and other information as will make it a complete *vade mecum* in public, mercantile, and general offices.

*The Daily Press* Office, Hongkong, January 11, 1869.

The following notification, received from the Government of India, relative to Lighthouses on British Burmah, appeared in Saturday's *Gazette*.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATION.

FORT WILLIAM, *the 19th November*, 1868.

*No 4 of* 1868.—The following notice has been received for publication from the Chief Commissioner, British Burmah, in a letter dated Rangoon, 5th October, 1868:—

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

The following lighthouses are about to be established off the coast of British Burmah, probably on the 31st May, 1869, and this is issued as a warning in case they should be so established:—

1.—COAST LIGHTHOUSE.

On the Krishna Shoal, Gulf of Martaban, Bay of Bengal. In latitude N. 15 deg. 36 min. 30 sec.; longitude E. 95 deg. 25 min. A lighthouse on screw piles in 3 fathoms of water at low water on the southeastern edge of the above shoal, showing a fixed dioptric light of the second order. The focal plane of the light 55 feet above high water rise, and fall 12 feet at full and change, visible 15 miles.

The light is cut off as W.S.W. to the westward, and at N.N.E. to the eastward, the centre of the light being S.E.

In making this light (the object of which is to enable vessels to round the Baraque Point, so as to avoid the dangers of the Baraque Flat and Krishna Shoal) from the westward, a vessel should keep in not less than 7 fathoms of water to the south, steering east till the light bears N.W., and distant from 5 to 10 miles, then steering N.E. by N. 40 miles to make the China Buckeer lighthouse at the mouth of the Rangoon river. Vessels from the northward going south must not get in less than 6 fathoms of water to the westward, or make the light on a bearing to the W. of S.W. by S.; if after passing the light a ship is going to the westward, she can turn in that direction when the light bears N.W., keeping in 7 fathoms.

2.—HARBOUR LIGHTHOUSE.

The China Buckeer for the mouth of the Rangoon river on the western side.

Hitherto the entrance to the channel to the Rangoon river has been marked by a lightship in 3½ fathoms of water.

This lightship will not be removed till this and the following lighthouse have been illuminated.

The lighthouse is situated on the high land of China Buckeer, which is generally first made by ships bound for Rangoon, and is about 2 miles north-east of the mouth of the China Buckeer river.

It is on screw piles, and the lower part being against a background of dark trees, will be painted white.

It is close to high water mark, but the sands at low water stretch 6 miles to the eastward of it. Ships must therefore keep well to seaward from it.

It will bear a dioptric light, the upper and lower cupolar showing a fixed light, and the centre drum a revolving light, attaining its greatest brilliancy once a minute; it can be seen 18 miles from the deck of a ship. It is in latitude N. 16 deg. 17 min. and longitude E. 96 deg. 13 min.

3.—HARBOUR LIGHTHOUSE.

The eastern grove for the mouth of the Rangoon river on the eastern side.

This lighthouse is also on screw piles, in latitude N. 16 deg. 29 min., longitude E. 96 deg. 27 min., 30 sec.

This lighthouse will show a light of 60 deg. and will be cut off to the eastward due south; 10 deg. of this angle will show a condensed light, the centre of which will pass through the present position of the light ship, or in a direction S. 30 deg. W. This condensed light will be visible 18 miles from the mast head of a ship, and the remaining 50 deg. of light will show 12 miles from the deck of a vessel.

*Sailing directions for making the mouth of the Rangoon River.*

Having made the China Buckeer Light from the southward or eastward, a vessel must not go to the northward of a bearing to it of west, to avoid the eastern sands; and to avoid the western sands the Eastern Grove Light must not be brought to bear to the eastward of N.N.E.

All vessels steering from the eastward should make the China Buckeer Light bearing W. by N., and should not proceed on their course beyond a point where the eastern Grove Lighthouse will bear as above, N.N.E.

Ships are not to go up channel by the eastern Grove Light, but must anchor south of a bearing to the China Buckeer of west.

A ship anywhere to the southward of W. by N. bearing to the China Buckeer Light, and anywhere to the eastward of a bearing to the Eastern Grove of N.N.E., is in safety; anywhere to the northward or westward of these bearings, in danger.

This notice is intended to be preliminary, so that vessels may not be deceived in case they find the lights lighted as above, and the light ship removed. But as something may occur to prevent their being lighted at the time noted, 31st May 1869, until a second notice is issued that *they have been lighted*, masters of vessels should adopt all the precautions which they would adopt if the present lightship was to be their only guide.

ARTHUR BROOME, *Coonel,*
*Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.*

### POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

BEFORE E. W. GOODLAKE, ESQ.
JANUARY 9TH.

NOISY DARKIES.

Nathaniel Downs and William Thompson, two "gentlemen ob color," who, like "Sweet William" follow the sea as a profession, and again, like Mr. Micawber, "waiting for something to turn up," were placed in the dock, to answer a charge of having made a row in the Queen's-road last night, in consequence of looking at the stars too frequently through of a glass tumbler. James King, "a man and a brother," whose house the defendants have done themselves the honor of patronising for some time, informed the court that the two men in the dock "was" making a considerable noise outside his abode.

P.C. 57 deposed to there being "some" shouting when he arrived on the scene, which he attributed to there having been "a muss," in consequence of one of the defendants having gratuitously appropriated the other's outer garments.

Mr. Goodlake was of opinion that one dollar each would be a sufficient punishment.

COLD CHARITY.

Alick McKennan, a seaman unemployed, *alias* "loafer," was charged at the instance of Inspector Cradock, with being a rogue and a vagabond.

It appears that McKennan has only just come out of gaol, and immediately after his liberation "went a begging." The Inspector saw the fellow receive money from an American officer, and then came up to him (Inspector Cradock). This was the very height of vagrancy—to beg from an Inspector of Police—so that officer immediately took the rogue into custody. McKennan, when searched, had "one dollar and sixty cents" in small change on him.

Mr. Goodlake thought that one month's hard labour would suit McKennan's complaint to a nicety.

### SWATOW.

The city of Chaou-chow-foo is now notified as being opened to foreign residents and trade; a result stated to be due chiefly to the exertions of Mr. Alabaster, H.B.M. Consul at Swatow. The people in this city have long been noticed for their turbulence and insubordination; and years ago, when the then British Consul visited the place, he had to be smuggled into the city by stealth, for fear of a disturbance.

### SHANGHAI.

The steamer *Ottawa*, arrived on Saturday bringing one day's later news than the *Erl-King*, namely to the 5th inst. The news is of little interest. The two gentlemen, who went out on a shooting expedition beyond the Tai-Ho-Lake, and by last accounts were reported as missing, have not yet returned and considerable anxiety continues to be felt. The *North China Daily News* notices an amusing instance of Chinese criminal law which was given by a case tried in the Mixed Court on the 4th inst., when a flogging and three days' imprisonment were held sufficient punishment for uttering false coin—an offence punishable by English law with penal servitude for various periods, from four years to life.

### PEKIN.

A correspondent of the *North China Daily News* states that the funeral of Megr. Mouly, the Catholic Bishop, who recently died, took place on the 19th December last, with great solemnity. Almost the whole of the diplomatic corps followed the coffin on foot, and it was preceded by the whole of the Catholic clergy in their robes, by Megr. Guerry, the successor of the defunct prelate, and two files of native Christians bearing candles in their hands. The procession took two hours in passing through the city, chanting Litanies which were listened to in respectful silence by the rest of the populace, who crowded from all parts to gaze upon the *cortége*. The above correspondent says:—"This demonstration was the most imposing that has ever taken place in the capital of China; and the ceremony, which threw so great an *éclat* over the memory of one of the most humble, but most indefatigable missionaries in China, proved once more the universal *estime* which is engendered even in this distant country, for true Apostolical virtue, and was particularly touching from the unanimous accord of all the foreigners at Pekin to pay to these virtues a common mark of sympathy and respect.

### JAPAN.

The news from Japan brought per mail steamer is meagre. The *Japan Times* confirms the intelligence of the important move made by Enomoto, late admiral of the Tokugawa fleet, in descending on the island of Yezo and threatening Hakodate and adds that the pirates are in possession of Hakodate, its small garrison having had to retire before their superior force. The above paper regards the fact that the news of Enotomo's invasion of Yezo produced no fresh outbreak on the mainland, as conclusive proof of the thorough extinction of the original civil war. The Government are assembling forces with a view to re-taking Hakodate.

The *Japan Herald* states that communication between Yokohama and Shanghai by the French mail is to be stopped, and that separate M. I. steamers will, in future, run from each place to Hongkong.

A notification has been published, announcing that Yeddo and Nee-e-gata will be open to foreign trade on the 1st inst.

### LATER TELEGRAMS.

By the steamer *Clan Alpine*, which arrived on Saturday evening, telegrams are brought on *via* Calcutta to the 19th December. The following, from the *Calcutta Englishman*, are the more interesting items:—

LONDON, December 7th.

The Turkish Government has sent an ultimatum to Greece, threatening a rupture of their intercourse, unless satisfactory explanations are guaranteed regarding Crete. The Republicans are rising in Cadiz, and barricades were erected. The troops have, however, suppressed the movement. Her Majesty the Queen has ordered a medal to be distributed for the Abyssinian war.

LONDON, December 9th.

Telegraphic advices received here from New York, dated yesterday, December 8th, state that Secretary MacCulloch has issued a statement, showing the increase in the American Debt to be 35,000,000 dollars, and recommending that the payment of bonds in coin and the resumption of specie payments take place in 1871; the issue of 500,000,000 dollars five per cent. bonds as a fund for the debt; that "Greenbacks" cease to be a legal tender for private debts contracted after 1st January, 1870; and a year later for all debts contracted except Government. He also recommends a reduction of the interest on refunding the debt. The new Cabinet is now complete.

LONDON, December 10th.

The following additions have been made to the ministerial list:—The Right Hon. Edward Cardwell to be Secretary of State for War, and Messrs. Glyn and Ayrton to be joint Under Secretaries. Mr. James Stansfeld to be Third Lord of the Treasury. Mr. Grant Duff is to be Under Secretary of State for India. Mr. Knatchbull Hugessen is to be Under Secretary of State for the Home Department. The Right Hon. William Monsell is to be Under Secretary of State for the Colonies. Parliament was opened yesterday.—The Right Hon. John Evelyn Denison has been re-elected speaker. Her Majesty's speech will be delivered on Tuesday, the 15th instant. The latest telegraphic advices received from Spain state that an armistice of forty-eight hours has been granted to the Republicans at Cadiz, to allow them to bury their dead. The Insurgents wish to capitulate. Seven hundred pilots (?) are armed, and the Spanish fleet is before the town. Telegraphic advices received from New York, dated yesterday, state that the Senate has refused to read President Johnson's Message.

LONDON, December 10th.

The Bank of England Returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—

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| Reserve of Notes | £ 8,500,000 |
| Bills Discounted | £17,375,000 |
| Bullion | £17,875,000 |

LONDON, December 11th.

The Liverpool Cotton market is steady.

Weekly Cotton Report:—

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| Total Sales | 64,000 | bales. |
| " Surats | 27,000 | " |
| " Imports | 56,000 | " |
| " Surats | 19,000 | " |
| " Stock | 365,000 | " |
| " Surats | 260,000 | " |

Fair Dhollera, 8¼d.

LONDON, December 11th.

Portugal is arming, fort at the entrance to Oving nuse (?), expecting Spanish Republic. Earl Spencer is to be the new Viceroy of Ireland.

The additional mail of the Messageries Imperiales, to be despatched to China every twenty-eight days, will commence from the 24th January.

LONDON, 12th December.

Telegraphic advices from New York dated yesterday, December 11th, stated that Congress has commenced its sittings. The President's message was delivered on Tuesday. The President vindicates his reconstruction policy; and advocates early specie payments, a construction of the paper currency, and reduced expenditure. The message also proposes that those portions of the protocol referring to the *Alabama* claims be disapproved and returned to England. The offer [by America] of mediation between Brazil and Paraguay has been declined. Congress [? has passed a] resolution asking for the recall of Mr. Reverdy Johnson.

LONDON, December 12th (?)

President Johnson, in his Message to Congress, urges abrogation and reconstruction of laws, (*sic*), and favors an early return to specie payments. The receipts for next year he estimates at 341,000,000 dollars, and the expenditure at 336,000,000 dollars. He states that the foreign relations of America are generally satisfactory, and he hopes to submit to the Senate, during the present session, protocols calculated to settle the questions of the *Alabama* claims, and the rights of naturalised subjects. President Johnson thinks that before long the Sandwich Islands will voluntarily enter into union with America. The policy of America in Japan, he says, must be strict neutrality, sustained by England and France. In conclusion, he recommends that the election of the President and Senators should be direct.

LONDON, December 14th, (Morning.)

The latest telegraphic advices received from Spain states that the insurgents at Cadiz have surrendered to the troops. The following further appointments have been made in the New Ministry:—Mr. Forster to be Secretary for Education. Mr. Otway to be Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. Lord Northbrook to be Under Secretary of State for War. Mr. Shaw Lefevre to be Under Secretary of Board of Trade. Mr. Arthur Wellesley Peel to be Under Secretary of the Poor Law Road. Sir Colman O'Loghlen to be Judge-Advocate. Lord Hay, Marshall (?). The death of Ross is announced. Lord Stanley has written to Mr. Rassam, announcing a grant from Government of £5,000 for himself, and £2,000 each for Dr. Bland and Lieutenant Prideaux, as compensation for their sufferings during their captivity in Abyssinia.

LONDON, December 15th, (Evening.)

The Queen's speech was read to-day. It merely announced the vacancies which had occurred in consequence of the change of ministry and stated that after the re-elections and recess business would be proceeded with. The Government of Greece has rejected the ultimatum of Turkey regarding the island of Crete. The Government has sent a frigate to Constantinople for the purpose of bringing back the Greek Minister. The Turkish Minister has withdrawn from Athens. H. R. H. The Duke of Cambridge has appointed a Committee to enquire into the employment of the Field Artillery in India. Baxter, Secretary admiralty, resolution against repudiation any share (?)

LONDON, 18th December (Noon).

The House of Commons has adjourned till the 19th February; and the House of Lords till the 11th February.

LONDON, December 19th.

The Directors of the Chartered Mercantile Bank have declared a dividend of three per cent. for half year. Four per cents 91¾. Five per cents 105. Five and a half per cents 110. Bank Shares:—Oriental Bank £24 10s. Chartered Bank £20 10s., Chartered Mercantile Bank £30 10s. Exchange on Calcutta, 1s. 11¼d. Bullion in the Banks of England and France £64,000,000. Total Notes in Circulation of both banks £73,875,000.

BOMBAY, 20th December, 17-19 hours.

The Earl and Countess of Mayo and Lord Napier, accompanied by Sir Seymour Fitzgerald, landed at 8 o'clock. The proceedings passed off very quietly, owing to the day being Sunday. The ships in the harbour were dressed, the Government vessels manned yards, and salutes were fired. The military display was not so extensive as at first intended. The Earl and Countess of Mayo proceeded in a carriage and four to Parell, after which Lord Napier left amid loud cheering.

### COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

HONGKONG, MONDAY MORNING.

Under the influence of speculative transactions the market for Bengal drug, (Patna,) became quite excited at the opening on the morning of the 9th instant, Saturday. The rumour that the steamer from Calcutta was in the neighbourhood with 12th sales drug gradually gained ground, until the appearance in the market of one or two bold operators, (and perhaps the only possessors of the news as to the actual supply for this place) proved the report to be well founded. The rates for Patna opened on time to arrive at $635, against $637½ to $640 on credit terms to the Chinese, advancing to $645, at which only 5 to 10 chests changed hands. The feeling, however, was weaker yesterday, so far as relates to gambling time bargain sales. A lot of about 50 chests having been placed at $640, on three weeks' times, against credit prices to the natives of $645 to $648½. The *Clan Alpine* brings about 675 chests Patna, and 455 Benares. The *Arratoon Apcar* has more or less 700 chests of both for this market, to which is to be added about 150 to 200 chests by the *Californian*; leaving a stock in Calcutta in Government godowns, of about 4,225 chests Patna, and 975 chests Benares. The latest quotations were about Rs. 1,350 for the former, and Rs. 1,325 per chest for the later. The first opium sale of the season was fixed to take place on or about the 7th inst., was to consist of 2,200 chests Patna, and 1,545 chests Benares. The official report of the coming crop being unfavorable, more particularly for Patna, owing to a great want of rain in the districts, and in anticipation of a short crop, for next year, extensive gambling was carried on in the Bazaar. Under such circumstances prices are expected to rule high. The following may be taken as the present ruling quotations:—Patna, $645 to $647½, to the natives on credit, and $640 on time from speculators hands, Benares, $635 to $640, nominal, no correct price for this can be given now; Malwa, $665, in moderate native demand, foreigners keep themselves out of the market. The next mail steamer is expected to bring a moderate if not a small supply.

The 12th or last Opium sale of last year was held on the 7th ultimo, when 2,100 chests Patna and 1,700 chests Benares were sold at the following rates:—Patna sold highest Rs. 1,330, lowest Rs. 1,320, average Rs. 1,324.7.5; Benares sold highest Rs. 1,310, lowest Rs. 1,295, average Rs. 1,301.4.2½. The result shows a decline on the averages of last sale of Rs. 25.10.10 for Patna, and Rs. 29.0.2½ for Benares. There was an advance in the Bazaar after the sale of about Rs. 25 per chest, and quotations on the 22nd ult. were:—Patna, Rs. 1,350; Benares, Rs. 1,330, per chest.

The market for manufactured goods was dull on Saturday, and the only sales to report are—1,000 pieces 8/4 Grey Shirtings, "Collie's" at $2.65, 2,000 pieces "Lion Chop" at $2.72½, 240 pieces Spanish Stripes, slightly damaged, at the proportion price at 77½ cents, and 200 pieces White Shirtings at $4.80. Sales of Shirtings for the fortnight, including auctions, amount to about to 20,000. Lead has been in good demand, and the transactions of the past two weeks foot up about 3,900 piculs L.R., and 1,200 piculs common. There are some small sales of Raw Cotton to report, consisting of 170 bales Bengal Staple at $18.50. There has been nothing doing in shares. The first of the clippers, the *Sir Lancelot*, has arrived from London, she brings about 49,000 pieces plain Cotton £18,855 worth of Woollens and 845 bales Yarn.

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| *Clan Alpine* for | Hongkong | 1,109 |
| | Singapore | 3 |
| | Penang | 20 |
| | S. or Hongkong | 68 |
| | P. or Singapore | 25 |
| | Total | 1,225 chests. |
| *A. Apcar* for | Hongkong | 670 |
| | Singapore | — |
| | Penang | 15 |
| | S. or Hongkong | 80 |
| | P. or Singapore | — |
| | Total | 765 chests. |

EXCHANGE.

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| ON LONDON.— | |
| Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight | 4/3 |
| Credits, at 6 months' sight | 4/5¼ |
| Documentary Bills, at 6 months' sight | 4/5½ |
| Bank Bills on demand | 4/3¼ |
| ON SHANGHAI.— | |
| Bank, 3 days' sight | 74½ |
| Private, 30 days' sight | 75 |
| ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, 3 days' sight | 220 |
| " BOMBAY.—Bank, 3 days' sight | 220 |

SALES ON JANUARY 9TH, 1868.
*As reported by Chinese.*

*Calcutta Cotton*, 100 bales, at $18.25, by Parsee merchant to Yuet-wo-loong.

*Bengal Cotton*, 70 bales, at $18.75, by Parsee merchant to Man-hing.

*Cuttlefish*, 10 bags, at $21.50, by Kin-cheong to Canton merchant.

*Rattans, Split*, 50 piculs, at $5.25, by Kin-cheong to Hongkong merchant.

*White Beans*, 709 piculs, at $1.88, by Tai-loo to Yuet-loong.

*Red Dates*, 100 bags, at Tls. 3.7.0., by Tai-loo by retail.

*White Sugar*, 100 bags, at $6.40, by Tai-loo to Hongkong merchant.

*White Shirtings*, 200 pieces, at $4.90, by Sum-mow to Chinchow merchant.

*Sapanwood*, 400 piculs, at $2.25, by Kang-yuen to Fat-shan merchant.

*Buffalo Hides*, 80 piculs, at $8.40, by Fook-loong to travelling merchant.

*Fungus*, 10 piculs, at $30.05, by Fook-mow-loong to travelling merchant.

*Almonds*, 10 bags, at $30.00, by Fook-mow-loong to travelling merchant.

## NEWS FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

### THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

The first ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Hongkong Hotel Company was held at the offices of the company, at half-past two on the 29th ultimo. R. S. WALKER, Esq., in the chair.

There were present Mr. Pollard, Q.C., Mr. Delbanco, Mr. Overbeck, Mr. Belilios, and Mr. Z. Barton. Mr. Abendoth came in at about a quarter to three, and after waiting some time, left. At about three o'clock it became evident that the necessary quorum (12) could not be got, so

Mr. DELBANCO proposed that the meeting be adjourned until Tuesday, the 12th January next.

Mr. OVERBECK seconded this motion, which was carried, and the few shareholders who were present separated.

The following is the Report which had been drawn up and circulated:—

Report of the directors to be presented to the ordinary meeting of shareholders, to be held at the Company's Hotel, on the 29th Dec., 1868.

The directors have now to submit to the shareholders a statement of the position of the company, as it appeared on the 1st of December, 1868, and regret that owing to the fact of no proper books having been kept during the first few months of the company's working, they are unable to lay before the shareholders a profit and loss account, or, in fact, any detailed accounts whatever.

The company were singularly unfortunate at the commencement of their business, in having a manager who was, to say the least of it, utterly incompetent for the post, and who failed to fulfil the duties required from him in the manner the company were entitled to expect, from the high testimonials as to his character and ability, upon the faith of which he was selected in England from numerous applicants. The wasteful expenditure, the utter absence of all supervision or control over the servants and establishment generally, and the entire want of method and system, led to the only results to be expected from such a course of conduct, and resulted in a very heavy loss to the company, which, however, owing to the absence of any proper books or accounts, it is impossible to state accurately.

Upon a reconstruction of the board, a thorough investigation into the company's affairs led to a complete re-organization of the company's staff, and the introduction of method and system in the conduct of the business.

This, the directors are glad to say, has satisfactorily shown that the company's property, is a good and remunerative investment, as, even at a time of year when the company cannot expect such a flow of business as they had in the first few months after opening the Hotel the receipts are sufficient to pay all outgoings, and leave a profit to the shareholders.

Even as matters now stand, the returns from what may be called fixed rentals of part of the Company's premises, amount to $730 per month, while the whole of the upper part of the Marine House is at present unoccupied, and, when let, will materially increase this item of revenue.

The bed-rooms and dining-rooms of the Hotel are at present farmed out at a rent of $800 per month, the contractor paying servants' wages, gas bill, and all attendant charges.

The Bar and Billiard-rooms may be safely depended upon, even under present circumstances, to return a nett income of $1,200 per month after paying all salaries and expenses, which amount will, of course, be considerably enhanced in the event of there being that increase of shipping at the port, which is usual during the first six months of the year, and which previous experience leads the directors to hope for.

The directors feel some confidence in assuring the shareholders, that the difficulties necessarily attendant upon starting a large concern have been completely surmounted, and that the company have now the finest Hotel in the East, replete with everything necessary for the comfort and convenience of Travellers, and the maintenance of the establishment as a First Class Hotel, while the company's staff is efficient, and the Contractor for the Messing department gives universal satisfaction.

In addition to the satisfactory state of the company's property and business, it is a gratifying reflection that a great deal of the expenditure necessary to start the business, and which swells the amount at the debit of the company at present, is of a class that can never recur, and there is therefore a certainty that at the end of 1869, the directors will be in a position to exhibit a much more favourable balance sheet, and shew sufficient funds in hand to justify the payment of a dividend, unless it should be thought more advisable to apply all the profits to reduction or extinction of the loans now held by the company.

The directors do not wish to raise unnecessary expectations, but they are not without hopes of selling Marine House, thus reducing the debt of the company, an of placing the Hotel generally on a much more remunerative basis than at present.

DIRECTORS.

Messrs. Walker, Belilios, Overbeck and Delbanco have joined the Board.—In accordance with §80 of the Articles of Association, these gentlemen retire, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
C. LANGDON DAVIES, *Secretary.*

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, ON THE 30TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1868.

| ASSETS. | |
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| Hotel Building and Furniture, and Marine House | $358,912.84 |
| Outstanding Accounts | 6,482.92 |
| Stores and Wines on hand | 2,608.40 |
| Cash on hand | 216.70 |
| Stores not yet Landed (as per Invoice) | 2,309.58 |
| 157 Shares the Property of the Company, and deposited with the Company's Banker, $15,700 | 0.00 |
| | $370,530.44 |
| LIABILITIES. | |
| 2,000 Shares @ $100 each | $200,000.00 |
| Due to Banks, including Interest to date | 161,276.85 |
| Sundry Creditors | 9,253.59 |
| | $370,530.44 |

E. & O. E.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1868.

### SHANGHAI.

The steamer *Formosa*, arrived on the 3rd instant, bringing dates from Shanghai to the 29th ulto.

The new arrangements of the Imperial Customs for conveying mails to Pekin, *via* Chefoo, has commenced to be put into force, the *Hwa-Shing* (late *Titan*), Chinese gun-boat, having left with a mail on the 23th ulto. The North China Insurance Company have held a meeting, and after some discussion have passed the Deed of Settlement for the new Company. Concerning the allotment of shares, with regard to which some comments were recently made, the Chairman assured the meeting that all possible pains had been taken in the matter to secure a fair apportionment. The old grievance of the extraordinary judicial proceedings at the Mixed Court continues to attract attention. The *Recorder* mentions an extraordinary case, in which a certain Low-chung-lun, who seemed to be one of the numerous class of hangers about yamens, took upon himself with some companions to make an illegal search for salt, said to be smuggled on board of a boat near the city. He appears to have made a mock arrest of the owner of the boat in order to get him out of the way. The owner being released, returned and found his property stolen.

By the steamer *Erl King*, which arrived on the 8th instant, the above dates were extended to the 4th instant. The weather has been extremely cold, the thermometer falling as low as 17 deg. The *Daily News* mentions that anxiety is felt in regard to two gentlemen who have been shooting on the West side of the Ta-hu. They started from their boat for a day's shooting, but did not return at night. Their lowdah waited for them three days, without hearing of them, and then left. On his way back, near Soochow, he was passed by another house boat, whose occupants, learning the story, ordered him at once back to the spot he had left; but he has to reach it against a contrary wind, and the creeks in that neighbourhood are all frozen. The country where the missing gentlemen were shooting is very desert, and the possibility of their having been benighted without shelter during the late cold weather, and eventually returning to the spot where they had left the boat, to find it gone, caused great anxiety. Two parties have left Shanghai on the 3rd instant, for the spot, to search for the missing friends.

The most important news is the publication, by order of Sir Rutherford Alcock, of a despatch inviting opinions upon the advisability of opening up new ports. The document is given at length elsewhere. The *Shanghai Recorder* notices that the Shipping Office of H.B.M.'s Consulate have supplied a long felt want by the publication of a code of Rules and Regulations for the guidance of shipmasters transacting business at that office. It is noticeable that the fee formerly charged for the shipment of native and Malay seamen has been abolished, and that now only the Government fee of 50 cents is charged. The shipment of all seamen is to be made by a Consular Officer, instead of, as heretofore, allowing the superintendent of the Sailor's Home, or his deputy, to place the men the articles.

It is stated that Sir Rutherford Alcock considers the compensation of Tls. 500 to those who suffered permanent injuries at the late Yangchow outrage, to be too small to meet the circumstances of the case.

A meeting of the subscribers to the Episcopal Church has taken place, at which it was announced that the building would probably be ready in about three months.

The following miscellaneous items are of interest:—

We regret to hear of a fatal accident, from suffocation, which occured on Saturday afternoon, resulting in the death of a native woman. Smoke was seen issuing from the lodge of a house in the Peking Road, and on the door being broken open, a bed on which the woman was lying was found to be smouldering and the woman quite dead. The watchman who occupies the lodge had taken her in there, and being unexpectedly sent on a message locked her in, and she being cold had removed a small charcoal stove from the floor, and placed it on the bed, near her head, and falling asleep evidently died an easy death, through inhaling the fumes of the charcoal. The injuries she sustained from the burning were not sufficient to cause death, and judging from the position in which the body was found had never been felt by her; she had evidently died before the bed caught fire.—*Recorder.*

We hear that a small steamer is now kept constantly employed by the Chinese in towing small junks from the mouth of the Grand Canal on the Yangtze, to Soochow. She is, we believe, the property of Ting Futai, formerly Taoutai of Shanghai, and is worked entirely by Chinese. She has now been running for some months, and has in every way proved a great success. When last seen, a few days ago, she was towing as many as five heavily laden native boats up the Grand Canal.—*Ibid.*

The mail steamer, which came in on Saturday brought one day's later news, which is given in another column.

### NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY 1869-71.

*(From the "Shanghai Recorder.")*

A General Meeting of shareholders in the above company was held on the 28th ult.

*Present*:—Messrs. F. H. Bell, A. Michie, E. H. Lavers, F. Porter, E. C. Smith, D. Reid, J. C. Coutts, F. H. Parker, H. Geary, G. Simpson, G. A. Monro, D. McLean, W. H. Carter, R. C. Moffat, W. H. Dalgleish, J. J. Miller, J. G. Purdon, J. A. Maitland, E. Hubener, J. J. Claussen, H. G. Hollingworth, T. F. Ballance, C. W. Overweg, J. P. Tate, James Dow, A. Droege, J. Ashton, A. Boyet, E. Frazer, P. Maclean, and H. S. Morris, secretary; 489 votes were represented. Mr. F. H. Bell occupied the chair.

The Chairman said the Provisional Committee appointed last July to organise the new company had completed their labours, and had called the shareholders together in order to report to them what had been done. He would first call on the secretary to read the minutes of the preliminary meeting in July. This being done, and the minutes approved of, the chairman remarked that in obedience to the instructions of the intending shareholders, the Provisional Committee had prepared the Deed of Settlement of the new company, which was now before the meeting. This had not been accomplished without a great deal of trouble, as many alterations and additions had to be made on the deed of the old company. The most important of these had been discussed at the preliminary meeting in July, and he thought the Deed as it now stood would be found to answer all the purposes of the company. When the present company was formed the deed was not formally submitted for approval to the shareholders, but the Provisional Committee thought that on this occasion it would be more satisfactory to do so. The other matter which has occupied the attention of the Provisional Committee is the allotment of shares, which has necessarily been a somewhat arduous task owing to the increased number of applicants. He could only say the Committee had spared no pains to make a satisfactory apportionment, and if in some cases they had not been able to meet the views of applicants he was certain it was from no want of care, or of a sincere desire to please everybody.

Mr. Carter then rose and proposed that the Deed of Settlement, as now printed, be adopted by the meeting.

Mr. Overweg remarked on clause 91 that it did not provide for a distribution of profits among contributors every year, but only at the end of the three years. He thought the Chinese would not be sufficiently attracted to the office unless some modification of this was made.

The Chairman replied that this matter had been well considered by the Committee, and they were not disposed to recommend any alteration.

Mr. Purdon observed that the printed paper he had in his hand contained the names of only twelve persons eligible and willing to serve as directors of the new company. It seemed a small number to choose from, the number of shareholders being so large.

The Chairman explained that of the 300 and odd shareholders there were less than 100 resident in Shanghai, and of these several were Chinese.

Mr. D. McLean rose to second Mr. Carter's motion.

Mr. Overweg again took exception to clause 91, and—

The Chairman remarked in reply that it would rest with the directors to offer such inducements to contributors as they might find expedient, in order to meet the competition of any other offices, and that it was unnecessary to make provision to that effect in the deed. He would now put Mr. Carter's motion to the meeting.

The resolution was carried by a large majority, and the draft deed passed accordingly.

The Chairman stated that the only other business before the meeting was the election of directors for the year 1869. After a few questions as to the manner of voting, the ballot took place, and the following gentlemen were declared elected:—Messrs. F. H. Bell, A. Michie, E. H. Lavers, F. Porter, E. C. Smith, and F. B. Johnson.

Some question then arose concerning the election of auditors, and it was proposed by Mr. Maitland, and seconded by Mr. J. J. Miller, that the old auditors, Messrs. Rowley Miller and P. Maclean, should be re-elected.

Various reasons were assigned why the election should not take place at present, and an amendment was proposed by Mr. Ashton, and seconded by Mr. Porter, to the effect that this meeting do now adjourn, and that a meeting be held in April to elect Auditors. The amendment was carried.

The proceedings closed by a vote of thanks to the Provisional Committee, proposed by Mr. Reid, and cordially responded to by the meeting.

### OPENING OF NEW PORTS.

The following copy of a despatch from His Excellency Sir Rutherford Alcock, K.C.B., H. M's Envoy Extraordinary, &c., &c., &c., to H. M's Consul at Amoy, in reference to the opening of additional ports on the Sea coast, and the establishment of landing places on the Yangtsze, is published in the Shanghai papers. A copy has been communicated to the Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Medhurst, H.B.M. Consul, invites individual opinions on the subject from any member of the mercantile community who may feel desirous of expressing his views, or affording any information or suggestion that may be of service to Her Majesty's Minister.

PEKING, *December*, 18th, 168.

SIR,—In the Memorial to my address from the Merchants at Amoy, forwarded to me last year, there are two paragraphs, the one, relating to the opening of an additional Port at Wenchow, and another, of much larger scope, proposing the opening "of all the principal Ports on the Coast, not as regular Treaty Ports, but "as subsidiary to them."

From various other sources, opinions have been conveyed to me on the part of the Mercantile Communities in China, more or less distinctly deprecating the opening of any more Ports on the Coast, as likely to be productive of expense incommensurate with any advantage to be anticipated.

In this conflict of opinion among those more immediately concerned, there is room for doubt as to the course of action which would best meet the interests of British Trade. It seems desirable, therefore, before any revision of the Treaty is actually entered upon, to learn with greater certainty the views of the Mercantile Communities generally on this subject. And, as regards the Memorialists at Amoy, I have to instruct you to ascertain more precisely what they mean by "Subsidiary Ports," and to what places on the Coast they allude?

I may as well state that, were other difficulties overcome, I have ascertained, from recent discussions with the Foreign Board at Peking, that the Chinese Government will not voluntarily consent to open any Port without stipulating for the residence of Consular Agents, and without themselves placing a Customs establishment at each place.

On the other hand, it is in contemplation to open to Foreign boats or vessels, not propelled by steam, all inland waters leading to and from any place, within the limits of any Customs district, where British Merchants may trade, in order to facilitate the transport of Foreign goods, or Foreign-owned produce; and, for the better security against unauthorized or unnecessary obstructions and delays. Assuming such a concession to be ultimately agreed upon, it would appear that, under another name, the advantage sought by Subsidiary Ports, so far as I understand what is meant, would, in effect, be obtained. That is, a privilege which would enable Merchants settled at any Treaty Port to trade directly with all the places along the Coast, or up the rivers, in the vicinity of their own ports, and in boats of their own, which they can build large or small, according to the ascertained requirements of such local trade.

The Amoy Memorialists appear to have contemplated, in connection with the system of Subsidiary Ports which they propose, that it should be imperative on all vessels going to any of these Ports to go to and from the nearest Treaty Port, where they would deposit their papers, give bond, take out a special permit, and afterwards return to the same Treaty Port to clear out in the usual manner.

I do not see very clearly how such a system of permits and obligations could be carried out without the intervention of a Foreign Customs Establishment and a Consular Agency, one or both, at each Port of call; and it may, further, be a question whether any vessel would find it expedient and profitable to go to a Subsidiary Port which could, very probably, neither take nor give a full cargo, and return direct to the Treaty Port at which her papers were left.

On the Yangtsze, something of the nature of Subsidiary Ports has been under consideration, so far, at least, as the erection of landing places at certain points where cargo and passengers may either be taken up or set down, would supply a means of Trade. Yochow, Nangking, Tatung and Wuhu, have been pointed out as desirable places for such an experiment.

If any new Port were to be opened on the Coast, Takushan, Taishow, Wenchow, Kipchi, Shintung, and Pak-hoi have been spoken of as the most eligible; but it is entirely an open question, yet, whether any or which of these shall be open, in the event of a general revision of Treaty stipulations being determined upon.

These possibilities are here referred to because, as they have already been under discussion, and have now been submitted to Her Majesty's Government for consideration, it would seem desirable that the Mercantile Communities in China, generally, should have a further opportunity of stating their views more specifically on points of so much importance in their bearing on the final results of any revision.

I shall accordingly forward a copy of this Despatch to H. M. Consul at Shanghai, directing him to communicate its contents to the Chamber of Commerce there, and otherwise to ensure such publicity as will give any members of the Mercantile Communities in China an opportunity of expressing their opinions, and affording information for my own guidance and that of H. M. Government. That there may be no unnecessary delay in communicating the result, you are authorized to forward a copy of any communications you may receive from individual Merchants, or any Mercantile body at your Port, direct to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

I am, Sir,
Your obdt. Servant,
RUTHERFORD ALCOCK.

W. H. Pedder, Esq., &c., &c., &c.

### NORTH CHINA BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY.

*(From the "Shanghai Recorder.")*

A numerously attended meeting of the above Society assembled on Monday night (21st inst.) to hear Mr. T. T. Cooper's notes on his travels towards India. Mr. Medhurst, H. B. M.'s Consul, was voted to the Chair. Amongst those present we noticed Messrs. F. B. Forbes, A. Michie, F. P. Knight, Dr. Martin, Rev. Mr. Syle, Messrs. James Hogg, O. B. Bradford, Hollingworth, Elias, and many others.

Mr. L. Cameron, Mr. Torckler, Col. Legendre, Mr. Yung Wing, and others were admitted members of the Society.

Mr. Michie, on behalf of the Committee appointed to arrange the expedition to the Yellow River, gave a short description of the results of the late visit. The new arm of the river had been surveyed from the mouth where it connected with the Admiralty Chart up to the

break below Kai-fung-foo. From above Tai-nan foo was nothing but a vast lagoon, scarcely practicable for the passage of small native boats. There was no regular channel, and the soil was silting up so rapidly that houses were buried almost to their eaves, the inhabitants having no other way of entering them than creeping on their knees. One temple especially had been almost buried, nothing but its roof appearing over the level surface of the ground. Messrs. Hollingworth and Elias had met with no molestation on their journey; they had found the people everywhere kind and civil. They had, however, avoided towns during the journey as much as possible. This was only a brief sketch, but he hoped Mr. Elias would be prepared with his notes to lay before the next meeting.

The Chairman having offered a welcome to Messrs Hollingworth and Elias, whom he was glad to see returned after the successful accomplishment of their task, introduced to the meeting Mr. T. T. Cooper, who proceeded to read his notes on Western China, descriptive of the trade and trade routes of the country.

The following is a resumé of the paper which he read:—

If in Western China were included that portion of Thibet lying east of the Kinsha and reaching to the Tatu, lake there is little doubt that it is one of the richest countries in the world. The Kinsha and the Yaloong rivers are celebrated for their gold washings; while it is known that Western Yunnan has abundant mines of silver, tin and copper. In addition to this, we may add the fertile soil and rich coal mines of Szechuen. The western boundaries of Szechuen may be said to commence about lat. 38.20 N., long. 102.5 E. They thence pass down the Tatu river and continue in a southerly direction to the Yangstze, 80 miles west of the Min river. All the country lying west of this as far as Assam and including the valleys of the Lantsan, Nan and Irrawady rivers is inhabited by tribes nominally subject to China and Thibet, to whom many names are applied, such as the Mantszes, the Lolos, the Mosos, the Leisos, the Mooquois, the Yahtszes, the Ohudzes, the Sifans, &c. Between the Nan and Lantsang rivers the country is inhabited by the wild tribes of the Bodies, who are the terror of the other more peaceable inhabitants.

To penetrate this country from the coast of China there are three roads; one from Canton to Yunnan by the West river through Kwang-tung and Kwangsi, one from Peking to Cheng-tu and on to Lassa, but the principal, and most important to foreign trade, is the great water road of the Yangtsze navigable to beyond Suchow-fu, in Szechuen.

Mr. Cooper then described the various classes of vessels trading on the river above Hankow, which both in speed and convenience offered a strange contrast to the foreign steamers plying to the lower part of the river. While it is possible to reach Hankow from Shanghai in three days, the remaining portion of the passage to Chunking-fu, which is about the same distance, occupies for a cargo conveying junk about three months.

The usual route for vessels bound up the river from Hankow is to ascend the Han for about a day's journey, when a chain of lakes is entered and traversed for eight or ten days; these finally communicate with the Yangtsze at Shasi not far below Ichang, whence a short journey leads to the first of the gorges through which the drainage of the great basin of Szechuen finds its way to the lower country. Having passed the Ichang gorge, Pehtung, situated on the frontiers of Hupeh, is reached, and here for the first time coal, though of inferior quality, is met with. Leaving this the route passes through the Lukan gorge to Kwei-chow-fu, the principal Customs station of Szechuen, and the head seat of the salt trade. Kwei-chow, was described as a town of considerable importance and only second to Chung-king. As good coal in large quantities was to be had here, the advisability of making it a port of call whenever the river should be open to foreign trade was insisted on.

After passing through the Mitan gorge the first view of the garden-like Szechuen was obtained; the river banks were covered with rich crops of sugar, above which the whitewashed cottages, half hidden in trees, recalled to the traveller many home recollections. In spring the country was white with the flower of the opium poppy, now one of the staple productions of the province. Amidst such scenes in forty days the great city of Chung-king-fu was reached. One of the most prominent features of the landscape in this portion of the route was said to be the prevalence of a reddish grey sandstone, exhibiting in the gorges an almost polished surface. This deposit had also attracted the attention of Capt. Blackiston, the first explorer of this regions.

Chung-King is the great centre of trade for Szechuen and the neighbouring provinces. Here were found crowds of junks, a bustling people, and never ending streams of coolies. Raw cotton and cotton piece goods, native and foreign, are the principal articles of import, vessels constantly arriving with these articles from the lower river. Sugar, tobacco, hemp and native medicines (the last in enormous quantities) are the principal exports. Besides its importance as a place of trade, Chung-king is the centre of the fiscal system of Western China, the pay of the frontier army is disbursed here, and here are sent the customs' dues of the whole province. The sycee of Chung-king is noted for its purity, and bears a considerable premium elsewhere in China. Chung-king merchants have their agents all over the country; so that in fact the city may be called the Liverpool of China. It is to be hoped, therefore, that in the revision of the treaties the importance of opening this great mart will not be passed over.

About seven days journey above Chung-King is the city of Su-chow-fu, the last important place of trade on the Yangtsze, which ceases to be navigable about 100 miles higher up. Here flows in the Western Min, five days' journey up which leads as to Kiu-ting, the centre of the silk and vegetable wax district; famous not so much for its trade as for its neighbourhood to Omi-shan, the great stronghold of Buddhism; to whose temples and shrines thousands of pilgrims annually journey. Here the Min branches, one leading from the N.W. called the Ta-tu-ho, the other the Kia-kiang. On the latter, Cheng-tu, the capital, the Paris of China, is situated. Cheng-tu derives its importance not only from being the capital of the province but from its position on the great road from Peking to Lassa, which passes through the richest districts of Szechuen.

Three days' journey west of Cheng-tu, through the fertile basin of the Min, leads to mountains rich in iron and copper; over which, at an enormous elevation, to judge from the sudden change in the temperature, the road to Thibet passes. Here wild potatoes and Indian corn form the chief food of the inhabitants. The Ta-tu is then crossed by a suspension bridge of iron, from which three days' journey leads to Ta-tsien-lu, the frontier town of Thibet. Here the climate changes to extreme cold. The chairs which hitherto had been available for travelling must now be exchanged for mules and tents, and food sufficient for ten days' journey be provided before the traveller attempts to cross the great Jeddo range. During the ascent a wild and barren country is passed through; on every side granite boulders lie in confusion, till on arriving at the summit the scene is changed, the granite is left, and the grassy downs of Thibet, pastured by endless herds of yaks and sheep, usurp its place. Eight days journey now leads to Lithang with its gilded Lamasseries and hundreds of priests to whom is entrusted the guardianship of the frontier. Ten days more across the Sanbur, flowing in a beautiful and fertile valley, leads to Bathang, the first town of importance in Thibet, and even more famous for its Lamasseries.

Mr. Cooper then described the roads leading from Szechuen to the West. The best known of these, and in former days the most important, was that leading from Bhamo to Tali-foo. Before the outbreak of the Mahommedan war we learn that numbers of caravans annually traversed the road from Bhamo on the Irrawady to Talifoo-foo, in Yunnan, but that since the commencement of the troubles in that province this trade has been stopped. Mr. Cooper discovered another road, by which Assam and China can be brought into direct communication, and which could thus bring the produce of British India directly into the west of China. This road leads from Bathang to Zu-yu, a Thibetan town at the eastern foot of the Himalayas, from thence it crosses the mountains to Sud-ya, on the Brahmapootra, a town in British territory, only 180 miles distant, and having direct water communication with Calcutta. The other road is the direct one leading from Cheng-tu to Lassa, described in graphic terms by the garrulous Abbé Huc.

Mr. Medhurst stated that Mr. Cooper's interesting account of the districts through which he passed was enough to make a traveller's mouth water. He could only express a hope that at no distant date the revision of the treaties between China and western powers would throw open those great marts of which he spoke. Once introduce steamers and there is little doubt that the trade would rapidly increase. Thanks were due to Mr. Cooper, not only for his communication, but for the pluck which sustained him throughout, and enabled him with small means to do so much. He had returned, but he had done his best; he had failed in the great object of the expedition, but all would allow he was not at fault. If his own exertions could have carried him across it would have been done; all would join in wishing him success in his second attempt from the side of India; he therefore proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Cooper, which was carried by acclamation.

Mr. Forbes stated, on the authority of the *Edinburgh Review*, a curious fact in connection with the Nepaulese Embassy to China. That the principal object of the Embassy was really trade. Mr. Cooper stated that the Ambassadors had brought with them across the passes some 200 chests of Indian Opium to sell in China; these they had been unable to get rid of to advantage; a few were sold and the rest sent back. It was not unlikely that the failure of the expedition to reach Peking was not so displeasing to the Rajah as it had appeared.

Mr. Cooper thanked the meeting for his cordial reception. He had indeed failed in his first attempt at making the journey which had become the great object of his life. He hoped, however, that the knowledge he had gained would enable him to be more successful in his second trial. One or two explanations which might seem irrelevant he wished to make to the meeting, and those present would excuse him as they concerned his character as a traveller. Sir Jung Bahadoor had recently stated in a letter to H. M. Government that he (Mr. Cooper) might easily have reached Calcutta, but had been stopped on the road because he had assumed the dress and character of a Nepaulese Ambassador. To this assertion he wished to give the most public denial possible. Now he had heard the fact stated by Mr. Forbes he could understand that Jung Bahadoor's remarks were made in a spirit of opposition to the opening of a British trade between India and Western China.

A conversation having ensued, Mr. Cooper stated, in reply to a question, that he had not visited the oil wells in Szechuen, his route lying fifty miles to the southward. It was only in Lu-ding-chow that he had seen the process of boiling salt by means of petroleum carried on. There seemed to the no regular trade in the article, it being very light and inflammable, and it was only used on the spot to heat the iron pans in which the salt was evaporated.

Mr. Medhurst stated that there were two gentlemen present who, he was sure, could throw much light on the subject of Mr. Cooper's communication. Mr. Wylie had recently paid a visit to the Province of Szechuen, having in fact gone over Mr. Cooper's route as far as Cheng-tu, the capital; while Mr. Hollingworth, who had in fact made the floods of the Yang-tsze a matter of study, could speak from experience of the probable causes of the sudden inundations to which that river was subject. For himself, during his residence at Hankow, he had come to the conclusion that the general opinion that they proceeded from the melting of the snow on the lofty mountains surrounding the head waters of the river was wrong; he was more disposed to attribute them to the heavy rains in the enormous basin of the Tungting lake.

Mr. Wylie was sorry to have come to the meeting unprepared to speak. He could, however, testify to the correctness of Mr. Cooper's description, but he would have liked to have heard more of that gentleman's personal experiences. He had recently gone over his footsteps as far as Cheng-tu. In no part of China had he travelled with more ease. He had met with no difficulties, even in the cities and towns, and believed that any one wishing to carry on researches in Szechuen could do so with ease. It should be remembered, however, that his (Mr. Wylie's) journey was of a special character; he was not in a position to collect information likely to be useful to commerce or science, having travelled solely as a missionary; he had therefore not much to say on the subject by Mr. Medhurst. Mr. Medhurst had stated his doubts about the floods coming from the west of Szechuen; he had, however, little doubt from what he had seen in these mountains. The tracks which one day were passable as roads, the next were impassable torrents; at one point on the Han he had seen the river rise no less than six feet in two hours. When such a large amount of water falls in so short a time he thought it was easy to account for the rise in the Yangtsze; he had, however, not studied the subject. He had seen the salt wells spoken of in Szechuen. They were sunk in soft sandstone to a depth of from 600 to 3,000 feet, the last being the outside limit; into the upper part of the wells tubes of bamboo were let down to preserve the opening. Two wells were worked together, bamboo buckets and straps being passed over a barrel, sometimes 20 feet in diameter suspended between two tower-like structures. As one descended the other came to the surface. The brine was received into stone troughs, whence it was conveyed by pipes to the boiling house, sometimes situated five miles off. Here it was evaporated in large iron pans six feet diameter. He did not see the oil wells, but from what he had heard and seen, he believed that the account given by M. Imbert, sometime a Catholic missionary in the province, was correct. At the salt wells there was sometimes a smell of gas but very little rock oil. The inhabitants of Szechuen on the whole were in comfortable circumstances, there were no ruined cities, and the people, compared with other portions of China were prosperous, except in two or three of districts bordering on Hupeh. In the mountains the people were, as is natural, very poor. The district about Cheng-tu is not unlike the plain of Shanghai in appearance. He had always found the people well disposed towards foreigners, and thought there was no advantage in assuming Chinese dress, in this opinion Mr. Cooper agreed.

Mr. Hollingworth had not anticipated being called on. He had kept at Kiukiang a record of the change in the level of the river, and would only take the opportunity of stating that this year the fluctuations had been very unusual. As a general rule the highest level is reached between June and August; in 1862 it was attained in September; this year the greatest rise occurred on the 26th October. The river had since then fallen, but had risen again, and he heard that on the 16th December it was only 11 feet below the level of the bund. When taken in connection with the bursting of the southern bank of the Yellow River above Kai-fung-foo this was a curious circumstance. He could not however learn certainly where the waters which escaped joined the Yangtsze; some accounts stated between Kiukiang and Hankow, some at Wuhu and some at Chinkiang. The fracture occurred on the 17th July about 110 li above Kai-fung; the water rushed thence into the Sha-ho, which it followed to Yingchow. From that it might flow into the Hungtze lake and thence down to Chinkiang, though some accounts said that it flowed along the Sha and Wei-hos and joined the Yangtsze at Wuhu. He at all events had heard at Chinkiang that boats had come down from the country said to be inundated. The commanders of steamers running to Hankow stated that this year the water was clearer and the current of the Yangtsze less than the average.

Mr. Kingsmill pointed out to the meeting the curious configuration of Anhwei and Hupeh provinces, which would readily permit a river bursting its banks to flow by several channels to the Yangtsze. He instanced the frequent mention in the Chinese Classics of rivers in connection with the Yangtsze and Yellow river, the course of which has since been entirely changed.

Mr. Wylie, in reply to Mr. Cooper, stated that the flood in the Han, of which he had spoken, occurred about the middle of August.

Mr. Cooper gave an interesting description of the suspension bridge at Lu-ding-chiau across the Ya-loong-kiang. The Government had in the early portion of the century offered a reward of 30,000 taels to anyone who could construct a bridge across the river at this point. A blacksmith in the neighbourhood made the attempt. He placed thirteen chains across the valley from the hills at the opposite sides, securely anchoring them to the rock; over this he placed planking, forming the roadway. As might be expected, the vibration was excessive, he had had to get two coolies to support him, one at each side, when crossing. The length of the bridge he calculated by pacing was 340 yards. The original bridge had remained in good condition for thirty years; now it is falling into decay, like everything else in China. Every year accidents occur from the breaking of the chains and numbers of lives are lost. In the present disorganised state of the Government no care is taken to renew them properly, and in consequence the bridge is likely soon to fall into utter ruin.

Mr. Elias then gave a short account of his experiences at the Yellow River. He found it navigable for light draft vessels as far as Tsinan-foo; about five miles beyond this were shallows. A bridge in ruins here stopped the traffic, but if this were removed it could be rendered navigable for 50 miles further. Beyond this point there was no river properly speaking, but simply a large lagoon. The old bed of the river where they crossed it was 12 feet over the level of the surrounding country, and in it had been worn a new bed for the water still escaping by that channel. The trade up the Tai-nan-foo was important; along the upper river it was at present small. The people were well disposed.

Mr. Knight asked Mr. Wylie some questions relating to the method of boring the salt wells.

Mr. Wylie in reply stated that two years were often occupied in sinking one hole. The holes were bored with an iron tool suspended by ropes from above. Mr. Wylie then asked Mr. Cooper for some information regarding the people called Mautsze.

Mr. Cooper stated that this was a general name for all the tribes west of Szechuen, who were not Chinese. These people were generally semi-civilized, cultivating the ground and wearing clothes; the only exception being the Lutsze and Lo-lo tribes. The Lu-tsze especially were an inferior race, building no houses and hunting the bear and cheetah. The Lo-los were more civilized; they wore a small garment woven from hemp grown by themselves, and profess the Buddhism of the Yellow Lamas. Other tribes were the Yu-tsze, Ma-kings, the Si-fung, &c. These might rather be called petty peoples than tribes, they cultivate the ground, live in stone houses, and are little inferior to the Chinese. No tribe is specially denominated Mautsze. When he arrived at Bathang he found that the people spoken of at Ta-tsien-loo as Mautsze were really Thibetans.

A conversation ensued, in which Mr. Medhurst, Mr. Wylie, and others took part, and the meeting separated.


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The Company feel warranted in stating that repairs on Vessels can be made as advantageously in San Francisco, in respect to cost of materials and labour, as in any other part of the world.

For particulars, address
JAMES POLLOCK, *Superintendent.*
Sm 2309] SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA U. S.

KELUNG COAL COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to supply Steamers and Vessels with the best FORMOSA COAL at current rates, or to deliver the same under contract at any port in China.

The company having always a large quantity in store, vessels will not be subjected to any unnecessary delay.
DODD & Co., *Agents.*
tf 281 Kelung, 6th January, 1868.

FORMOSA COAL DEPOT AT KILUNG

HAS on hand a large stock of Coal of *best quality*, and is prepared to supply Steamers and Sailing vessels with quick despatch at Current rates, or deliver the same under Contract at Hongkong, and any Treaty port in China.

The Depot, drawing supplies from the best mines only, intends to provide a superior article, *free of the Surface Coal*, that has hitherto prejudiced Consumers.
MILISCH & Co., *Agents.*
tf 835 Kilung, 2nd May, 1868.

BUTCHER'S LIVERY STABLES.

HORSES received on Livery.
Carriages and Horses sold and bought on Commission.
Harness and Saddlery repaired and renovated.
Saddles and Harness for Sale.
Carriages neatly repaired or built.
Horses broken to Saddle or Harness.
(J.B. will be happy to call at the residence of any person requiring his services, on receiving instructions to that effect.)
Horses always on hand for Sale.
Veterinary work carefully attended to.
Rear of Murray Barracks, Hongkong.
tf 2308 Hongkong, 10th December, 1868.

COURSE OF FRENCH LESSONS.

THE undersigned begs to announce that he is now giving a Course of Lessons in French. Four a week. On Mondays and Wednesdays a class for pupils who have already some knowledge of the Language, and on Tuesdays and Fridays an Elementary class. The lessons will commence at 8.30 P.M. and close at 10.30 P.M. each evening.
L. THEVENIN,
41, *Wyndham Street.*
tf 1969 Hongkong, 17th October, 1868.

## For Sale.

SAYLE & CO.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
QUEEN'S ROAD,
LINEN DRAPERS, SILK MERCERS,
HABERDASHERS, HOSIERS, HATTERS
MERCHANT TAILORS,
AND
GENERAL OUTFITTERS.

Have pleasure in announcing that their Autumn and Winter Stocks are now on view. SAYLE & Co. would respectfully invite special attention to their Goods, as they have been selected with great care to meet the requirements of this climate.

The TAILORING comprises a select assortment of
SCOTCH AND ENGLISH FANCY TWEEDS.
Received overland in suit lengths.
BLACK AND BLUE BEAVERS,
WEST OF ENGLAND BROADS,
WHITNEYS, PILOTS,
VENETIANS, MELTONS, AND
BEDFORD CORDS.
NAVAL AND MILITARY CLOTHS.
FANCY VESTINGS.
PLAIN & FANCY FLANNELS,
for Suits (Shrunk).
JAPANESE CLOTHS,
for Dressing Gowns.

This department being under the supervision of experienced West End Cutters, Gentlemen may rely upon obtaining a perfect fit.

HOSIERY.
MERINO, LAMBSWOOL, SILK, LISLE, AND COTTON SOCKS.
MERINO UNDER VESTS & DRAWERS.
LONG-CLOTH, SILK AND WOOL, AND CRIMEAN SHIRTS.
PAJAMAS AND MORNING GOWNS,
CAMBRIC AND SILK POCKET HANDKERCHIEFS.
CASHMERE SCARVES & MUFFLERS.
A select assortment of
SILK TIES AND SCARVES.
In a variety of new styles, have been just received.

HATS.
GENTS' BLACK DRESS HATS.
BEAVER & SHELL HATS.
BLACK AND DRAB FELT HATS.
NAVAL AND TRAVELLING CAPS.

MAUDS AND RAILWAY RUGS;
in many sizes and patterns.

CARPETS AND FURNISHING.
Brussels and Tapestry and Velvet Pile CARPETS.
Felt Squares and Sofa CARPETS.
Coir MATTING and MATS.
Axminster and Tapestry RUGS.
Velvet Pile RUGS.
Silk and Wool, and all Wool DAMASKS and REPS.
LACE AND MUSLIN CURTAINS.
CURTAIN CORDS AND TRIMMINGS
(To match).
PRINTED AND EMBROIDERED TABLE COVERS.
HOUSEHOLD LINENS.
BATH BLANKETS, TURKISH TOWELS.
DAMASK CLOTHS AND NAPKINS.
OVERLAND TRUNKS,
PORTMANTEAUS, AND CRICKETING BAGS.
SILK UMBRELLAS, WALKING-STICKS.
SOAPS, PERFUMERY,
HAIR BRUSHES, &c., &c.
tf 2030 Hongkong, 29th October, 1868.

FOR SALE.
A HANDSOME PIANO, by Zeitter & Co., London.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
*Auctioneer, and General Commission Agent.*
Commercial Bank Buildings, Queen's Road.
7d 53 Hongkong, 7th January, 1869.

JUST LANDED AND FOR SALE.
A SMALL Invoice of superior Calcutta CHUTNEES, comprising:—
MANGOE, NABOBY, Mangoe SLICED, LUCKNOW, Bengal CLUB, CASHMERE, BOMBAY, and Mangoe NAWABBEE.
A few dozens of Curry POWDER.
India Treasure WAX.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
*Auctioneer, and General Commission Agent.*
Commercial Bank Buildings, Queen's Road.
tf 54 Hongkong, 7th January, 1869.

FOR SALE.
BASS'S BEER, Quarts and Pints.
Allsopp's BEER.
Champagne ALE.
Bridge's PORTER.
Pale India STOUT.
French PATTIES.
Imperial PLUMS.
TOBACCO. CIGARS.
SHERRY. PORT. CHAMPAGNE.
YELLOW SOAP.
TOILET SETS.
TURPENTINE, PAINT OIL, CANVAS, &c., &c.
A small portable PUMP, with Hose Complete.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
*Auctioneer, and General Commission Agent.*
Commercial Bank Buildings, Queen's Road.
tf 55 Hongkong, 7th January, 1869.

FOR SALE.
JUST Received, per *Red Deer* and *Dunkeld.*

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| CHAMPAGNE. | |
| Champagne Cabinet, in quarts, | $18 |
| Do., in pints, (2-dozen case), | 19 |
| CLARET. | |
| Breakfast Claret, | 4 |
| DESSERT CLARETS. | |
| Chateau Larose, | 9 |
| Margaux, | 10 |
| BURGUNDY. | |
| Clos de Vougeot, | 12 |
| SAUTERNE. | |
| Haut Sauternes, | 6 |
| VINS DU RHIN. | |
| Steinberg Cabinet, 1867, | 12 |
| Lief Raumich, | 9 |
| VERMOUTH. | |
| Good quality, | 8 |
| ABSINTHE. | |
| Good quality, | 12 |
| SHERRY. | |
| First quality, | 10 |
| PORT. | |
| First quality, | 12 |
| BRANDY. | |
| Jas. Hennessy & Co.'s, 1st quality, | 10 |
| " 2nd " | 9 |
| Martell's extra, | 12 |
| FRENCH PRESERVES. | |
| Petits Pois, per dozen, | 5 |
| Artichauds, | 6 |
| Cauliflowers, | 6 |
| Brussell Sprouts, | 7 |
| Asparagus, | 9 |
| Celery in jus, | 7 |
| Bouillon Gras, | 4 |
| Carrots, | 3 |
| Beet Root, | 6 |
| Green Peas, | 5 |
| French Beans, | 4 |
| Champignon, | 6 |
| Sardines, ½, | 3 |
| Turbot in oil, | 19 |
| Julienne Soup, | 7 |
| Flageolets, | 7 |
| Cepes in oil, | 8 |
| Pies,—Partridge, | 18 |
| Snipe, | 18 |
| Hare, | 18 |
| Plover, | 18 |
| For the Mess. | |
| Preserved Meats, in tins of 4 lbs. each, per dozen, | 12 |
| FRENCH BUTTER. | |
| In tins of 6 lbs., each, | 3 |
| FRENCH VINEGAR. | |
| In quarts, per dozen, | 4.50 |
| SALAD OIL. | |
| Finest sublime, in quarts, 1-doz. cases, | 8 |
| SPANISH OLIVES. | |
| In 1-dozen cases, | 5 |
| MARASCHINO. | |
| De Zara, extra, per dozen, | 24 |
| SUGARS. | |
| Loaf Sugar, | 15 cents per lb. |
| Crushed Sugar of 1st quality, in tins of 25 lbs., per tin, | 4.50 |
| FRESH ROASTED MOCHA COFFEE. | |
| In tins of 10 lbs., each, | 3.25 |

Apply to DUBOST & Co.
1m 2413 Hongkong, 24th December, 1868.

## For Sale.

MULLER & CLAUSSEN,
WOOLLEN DRAPERS,
MERCHANT TAILORS, HOSIERS, AND OUTFITTERS.

Beg to call the attention of the Public of Hongkong to their
NEW GOODS,
received per *United Service*, consisting of:—
Naval and Military BLUE BROADS.
West of England BROADS and DOESKINS.
Black and Blue MELTONS.
Fancy ANGOLAS, BUCKSKINS, and Scotch CHEVIOTS.
Fancy TWEEDS, in suit lengths (shrunk).
WITNEYS, BEAVERS, PILOTS, &c.
PETERSHAMS, &c., &c.

Particular attention is paid to the
TAILORING DEPARTMENT
by an
EXPERIENCED ENGLISH CUTTER,
therefore gentlemen can rely upon obtaining a
PERFECT FIT
on the shortest possible notice.

Cotton, Lisle Thread, Merino, and Lambswool SOCKS.
Ladies' Cotton, Balbriggan, and Merino HOSE.
Cotton, Silk, and Merino UNDER VESTS and DRAWERS.
CARDIGAN JACKETS.
Silk and Wool, Cashmere, and Crimean SHIRTS.
COLLARS and SCARVES,
in all the newest styles.
BRACES, Woollen WRAPPERS, &c., &c.
Kid, Doeskin, Buckskin, and Cloth GLOVES.
Drab Shell HATS.
Black and Drab FELT HATS.
Boy's Fancy CLOTH and Scotch CAPS.

DAWSON'S BOOTS.

A large assortment of
Ready-made CLOTHES,
SELLING OFF
at less than cost prices.

MÜLLER & CLAUSSEN.
10, *Queen's Road.*
tf 2400 Hongkong, 23rd December, 1868.

S. W. BAKER & Co.,
BEG to invite inspection of their New STOCK for the Season, received per late arrivals, including:—

Ladies' Hats, Bonnets, Opera Cloaks, Dresses, in plain and fancy Silks, Poplinettes, Reps, and new Textures, French Robes, *ready made*, French Sashes, Belts, Jackets and Mantles, new shape Jupons, white and scarlet Corsets, Lace Falls, Lace and other Trimmings, Ribbons, and Ribbon Velvets in all colors, Hosiery, Kid, Cashmere, and Bronze Boots, white Satin Boots and Kid Gloves. A large assortment of Wool and Embroidery Works, as Cushion Patterns, Smoking Caps, Mosaic Sets, &c.

Sangster's Umbrellas, Christy's new shape Felt and Shell Hats, a choice lot of Neck Scarfs, Ties, Wrappers, Collars, Socks, Boots, Fancy Tweeds and Coatings, Braces, &c.

Brussels Carpets, Velvet Pile Carpets and Rugs, All Wool Damasks, Lace Curtains, Table Covers in great variety, Damask Table Cloths in all sizes, Table Napkins, D'Oyley, Blankets Counterpanes, Sheetings, Flannels, Wool Mats, Turkish and other Towels, &c.

Children's Trimmed Hats, Boots, Perambulators, Picture Books, Toys, &c.

Dressing Cases and Travelling Bags, *fitted*, for Ladies and Gentlemen, Playing Cards, and a large assortment of Stationery and Perfumery Goods.
S. W. BAKER & Co.
tf 31 Hongkong, 4th January, 1869.

FOR SALE.
MANILA HARD WOOD, consisting of MOLAVES, BANABAS, ABANGAS, and other descriptions. Apply to
LANDSTEIN & Co.
tf 1502 Hongkong, 12th August, 1868.

FOR SALE.
THE desirable PROPERTY on *Queen's Road*, lately occupied by Messrs. SMITH, KENNEDY & Co.
For particulars, apply to
SMITH, ARCHER & Co.
tf 2032 Hongkong, 10th December, 1867.

FOR SALE.
STOVES. STOVES. STOVES,
Apply to
L. FRICKEL & Co.
tf 20 Hongkong, 4th January, 1869.

FOR SALE, *Ex "Lota."*
WIRE ROPE, from 1 inch to 3 inches.
Galvanized JIB HANKS, 2 in. to 3½ in.
PUMP LEATHER.
Superior Bottled ALE and Guinness's STOUT. Apply to
FAWCETT & Co.
tf 38 Hongkong, 5th January, 1869.

CHRISTMAS STORES,
FOR SALE BY
FAWCETT & Co.,
*Ex "Red Deer" and "Sirene."*
FINE CHAMPAGNE, in Pints and Quarts.
" Crusty OLD PORT.
" Pale SHERRY.
" Dinner and after Dinner CLARETS.
Bass's PALE ALE, and Allsopp's Ditto, in Bottle and in Wood.
Genuine Guinness's STOUT, in Pints and Quarts.
An Invoice of STORES, of various kinds.
RAISINS, CURRANTS, Candied PEEL, and SPICES.
Mince MEAT, in 1, 2, and 3 lbs. Jars.
2385 Hongkong, 21st December, 1868.

SAIL MAKING.
FAWCETT & Co. having secured the services of an Experienced Sail Maker, are prepared to make or repair Sails at very reasonable rates.
tf 2315 Hongkong, 10th December, 1868.

FOR SALE, *Ex "Red Deer."*
AN Invoice of Superior Galvanized WIRE ROPE, from 1 inch to 3. Apply to
FAWCETT & Co.
tf 2369 Hongkong, 17th December, 1868.

FOR SALE AT EAST POINT.
A COMPLETE assortment of Lowmoor and Thornycroft Plate and Sheet IRON Bar, Rod, Angle IRON and RIVETS. Double-shear, Spring, and Blister STEEL, in round, square, and flat Bars. Babbit's METAL, Muntz's YELLOW METAL, Copper PLATES, RODS, and PIPES. Gas FITTINGS, of every description. Boiler TUBES, Pressure GUAGES, FILES, PACKING, and all kinds of Engineers' Supplies.
RUSSELL & Co.
6m 1727 Hongkong, 10th September, 1868.

FOR SALE.
MUNTZ'S YELLOW METAL, 20/28 ozs., and NAILS.
*Also,*
Vivian's Patent YELLOW METAL KEEL PLATES, 12 lbs. and 13 lbs., with NAILS.
Apply to HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 2000 Hongkong, 23rd October, 1868.

FOR SALE.
BEATO'S Japanese VIEWS and COSTUMES.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
tf 1614 Hongkong, 27th August, 1868.

FOR SALE A Set of Double PONY HARNESS very complete, and handsome, best London make, Price $50.
Apply at the Office of this Paper.

FOR SALE.
YELLOW Metal, 18 to 28 oz., Muntz and Vivian's JOHN BURD & Co.
tf 670 Hongkong, 6th April, 1866.

FOR SALE.
PRINTING PAPER.
HESSE & Co.
tf 1146 Hongkong, 20th June, 1868.

## For Sale.

FOR SALE.
"TOYS!" "TOYS!!"
GENTLEMEN'S FELT HATS,
of the latest Fashion, from London and Paris.
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
FRENCH GLACES, CORDED SILKS,
Black and Coloured.
Plain and Fancy Coloured SILKS.
Black and Coloured VELVETS.
FANCY BRAIDED JACKETS,
Black Silk and Merino.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's French
KID GLOVES.
Trimmed White Muslin and Tulle BODIES, for Evening wear.
WREATHS AND FLOWERS.
FRENCH FOULARDS for Dresses.
FRENCH MERINOES, Black and Coloured
BAREGE and FANCY DRESSES,
from 25 to 50 cents per yard.
Black SILK, VELVET, and CLOTH JACKETS.
The latest Fashion of
WOOLLEN JACKETS, $4.
LADIES' STOCKINGS, Woollen, Thread, and Cotton.
English and French.
HATS and BONNETS.
A large Assortment of
TRIMMINGS, Plain and Fancy, for Dresses.
A large Selection of
FANCY CLOTHS,
For Gentlemen's Suits.
GENTLEMEN'S FRENCH SHIRTS and COLLARS.
LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S FRENCH BOOTS.
PRINTS, at 20 cents per yard.
SHEETINGS.
ENGLISH WOOLLEN BLANKETS and COUNTERPANES.
FRENCH SPRING MATTRESSES
for Beds, and CANOPIES.
The DRESS-MAKING is under the Management of an experienced
FRENCH DRESSMAKER,
who has great taste.
French and English
PERFUMERY,
from the best
LONDON AND PARIS HOUSES.
ALEXANDRE BOYER,
*Corner of Wellington and D'Aguilar Streets.*
tf 1889 Hongkong, 18th December, 1868.

MISS GARRETT
*Has just landed, ex "Cissy," and late Arrivals,*
CROQUET, PATCHESI, SQUAILS, and LOTTO, Rocking HORSES, DOLLS in great variety, Magic TOYS, HOOPS, DRUMS, GUNS, PISTOLS, SWORDS, SHUTTLECOCKS, Noiseless BATTLEDORES and SHUTTLECOCKS, and a variety of other TOYS.
*Also,*
Leather Foot BALLS, with spare Indian-Rubbers.
*And,*
VELVETEENS and SERGES, &c.
tf 53 Hongkong, 7th January, 1869.

FOR SALE.
GALVANIZED Corrugated SHEET IRON.
Muntz's YELLOW METAL SHEATHING, 20 to 26 oz.
Gourock Bleached and Boiled CANVAS, Nos. 1 to 6.
Bolt ROPE, 2½ inch. to 4½ inch.
MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.
tf 1661 Hongkong, 1st September, 1868.

FOR SALE.
YELLOW METAL, 16 to 28 oz., and NAILS.
Apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
tf 1760 Hongkong, 16th September, 1868.

FOR SALE.
ex S. S. "Tigre."
A FEW bags Mocha COFFEE, at $7 per bag of 28 lbs. Apply to
G. DUBOST & Co.
tf 1660 Hongkong, 1st September, 1868.

FOR SALE.
A DONKEY ENGINE, with Condenser attached. Chaplin's Patent. Apply to
S. E. BURROWS & SONS.
tf 2183 Hongkong, 21st November, 1868.

JUST LANDED.
H. HOHNHOLZ & TAILLEE offer for Sale at very low prices a few Westphalian Hams, Dutch Cheese, Dutch Herrings, Butter, and Anchovies in Pots, Dutch Fancy Cakes in Bottles, Sauer Kraut in 3 lbs. Bottles, to suit Purchasers.
And always on hand the best of Whampoa Fresh and Corned Beef and Smoked Tongues.
tf 2016 Hongkong, 26th October, 1868.

FOR SALE, JUST RECEIVED.
500 BARRELS Portland CEMENT.
Apply to FREDERIC DEGENAER,
3, *d'Aguilar Street.*
tf 1740 Hongkong, 14th September, 1868.

TATHAM'S BRANDY in 1 doz. cases.
" SHERRY " 3 "
" PORT " 2 "
" CLARET " 1 "
BIRLEY & Co.

J. AND R. TENNENT'S ALE and PORTER.
DAVID CORSAR & SONS'
Merchant Navy, Navy Bolted, Long Flax, Crown } CANVAS.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
tf 1130 Hongkong, 11th May, 1867.

EX "RED DEER" & "DUNKELD."
FOR SALE, at moderate prices, and in lots to suit purchasers:—
Prime Strasburg BACON.
North Wilts CHEESE.
Scotch WHISKY, "Mountain Dew."
Guinness's STOUT, in Pints.
do. do. in Quarts.
Bass's ALE, in Pints.
do. do. in Quarts.
Apply to J. F. ROSE,
*Wellington Street.*
tf 2396 Hongkong, 22nd December, 1868.

FOR SALE.
DRAUGHT PORTER, in Kilderkins.
Apply to HOWARD HODGES.
tf 1627 Hongkong, 28th August, 1868.

SELLING OFF! SELLING OFF!!
RETIRING FROM BUSINESS.
A. ULLMANN begs respectfully to inform his friends and the Public of Hongkong, that he is selling off his valuable Stock of Clothing, Fancy Goods, Jewellery, Watches, Chains, and a large assortment of Perfumery, including an assortment of the newest Articles, per *Corea*, at a great reduction, in consequence of his retiring from business.
*Nos. 96 and 98, Bazaar European, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.*
tf 1794 Hongkong, 21st September, 1868.

FOR SALE.
T. AND D. HENRY'S Best Government Navy CANVAS, constantly on hand.
At LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.
tf 2352 Hongkong, 15th December, 1868.

## For Sale.

LADAGE, OELKE & Co.
WILL Close their firm at Hongkong on the 31st January, 1869, and sell off their whole valuable Stock of
READY-MADE CLOTHING
AT COST PRICE.

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| Superfine Black Cloth Shooting Coats, | $10 to 15 |
| " " Frock " | 13 ,, 18 |
| " " Dress " | 13 ,, 18 |
| " " Pants, " | 6 |
| " " Vests, " | 2.50 |
| Suits of the newest Styles & Patterns, | 12 ,, 18 |
| Fancy Tweed Shooting Coats, | 6 ,, 12 |
| " " Sac Coats, | 5 ,, 10 |
| Merino Shooting and Sac Coats, | 3 |
| Alpaca " " | 2 |
| " Vests and Pants, | |
| Light and heavy Trousers, | 2 ,, 7 |
| Linen Jackets, | 1.75 |
| Cotton " | 1 |
| Linen Sac Coats, | 2 |
| " Trousers, | 2½ |
| " Vests, | 2½ |

tf 2441 Hongkong, 30th December, 1868.

BONNETT & Co.
HAVE received, by latest arrivals, Racing SADDLERY, JACKETS, CAPS, White CLOTH for Riding Breeches, Boot TOPS, Racing SPURS, &c., &c.
Horse RUGS, and an assortment of General SADDLERY.
*Also,*
Ladies' HATS, WREATHS, JET, JEWELLERY, &c., &c.
Gentlemen's SCARVES, and Coloured and White Kid GLOVES.
1, Wyndham Street,
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1869. tf 15

*Ex "Mikado," and "Whitehall."*
MISS ROSE
HAS received a Choice Selection of *French* and *English* Fancy GOODS suitable for BIRTHDAY and CHRISTMAS PRESENTS; also TOYS, in great variety.
QUILTINGS, SERGES, REPS, Plain and Printed FLANNELS, PRINTS, CALICOS, MERINO, and all the newest designs in Woollen GOODS.
BLANKETS, Huckaback and Turkish TOWELLING, Bath BLANKETS, &c., &c.
*And, per last Overland Mail.*
Ladies' & Children's HATS and BONNETS.
Silk VELVET, VELVETEEN, and CLOTH JACKETS, in the latest styles.
WELLINGTON STREET,
*Opposite the Catholic Chapel.*
tf 2291 Hongkong, 8th December, 1868.

*Just received from Rotterdam.*
WYNAUD FOKING'S Double Orange CURACOA.
Wynaud Foking's White CURACOA.
AVH GIN, in white and square Bottles.
Pomeranzen BITTERS.
LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.
tf 2353 Hongkong, 15th December, 1868.

FOR SALE, *Ex Recent Arrivals.*
AMERICAN Prime Mess BEEF, in Barrels and Half-barrels.
Hamburg Prime Mess BEEF, in Barrels.
Hamburg Prime Mess PORK, in Barrels.
Prime Danish BUTTER, in 7 lbs. Tins, quite fresh.
Muller's CELEBRATED LAGERBIER, in Cases of 4 dozen quarts, $8 per case.
Deetjen's Bremen PALE ALE, in quarts.
At LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.
tf 2354 Hongkong, 15th December, 1868.

FOR SALE, *Ex "Flusel," "Red Deer," &c.*
HUBBACK'S Boiled LINSEED OIL, in Drums and Wood.
Hubback's Raw LINSEED OIL, in Drums and Wood.
Hubback's Bright VARNISH, in Barrels.
Hubback's Spirits of TURPENTINE, in Drums.
Hubback's Best White ZINC, White LEAD, Dry Red LEAD, Black, Green, and Blue PAINT, &c.
Peacock's Patent COMPOSITION.
RIGGING LEATHER, PUMP LEATHER, Deep Sea LEAD LINES, LOG LINES, SIGNAL HALYARDS.
Assorted Colors BUNTING.
Best English SPLIT PEAS, in Barrels.
At LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.
tf 2355 Hongkong, 15th December, 1868.

JUST received from France, and for sale by the undersigned.
A Fresh Supply of BUTTER, in bottles, in finest condition.
Gruyere CHEESE.
French CHOCOLATE, at 75 cents per lb.
A Fine Assortment of French BONBONS and CONFECTIONERY.
FRUITS, in juice, from Teyssonneau.
FRUITS, in brandy, from Teyssonneau.
Crystallised FRUITS, BONBONS with mottoes, &c.
A Large Assortment of VEGETABLES, in tins.
MACCARONI and VERMICELLI.
French MUSTARD, French SALAD OIL, French White Wine VINEGAR.
LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.
tf 2356 Hongkong, 14th December, 1868.

FOR SALE, *ex "Whitehall," "Red Deer," and other arrivals.*
BASS'S ALE, in hogsheads and kilderkins.
Bass's ALE, in glass, quarts and pints.
Guinness's Dublin STOUT, in do.
Barclay & Co.'s PORTER, in wood.
Hennessy's Pale BRANDY, in bottle.
Gates & Co.'s superior do. do.
Balaresque's superior Fine CHAMPAGNE COGNAC.
Duff Gordon's SHERRIES, from $7.50 to $13.00 per dozen.
Light Dinner SHERRY, at $6 per dozen.
Tawny Old PORT.
Full Flavoured Fruity PORT.
Swaine and Boord's OLD TOM GIN.
OILMAN'S STORES, of every description, from Crosse and Blackwell and T. T. Morton.
Compton Brothers' HAMS, CHEESE, and BACON.
Oxford, Cambridge, and German SAUSAGES.
Paté de Fois GRAS TRUFFE.
Assorted Truffled GAME and MEAT PATES, Perigord TRUFFLES.
At LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.
tf 2357 Hongkong, 14th December, 1868.

FOR SALE.
THE Undersigned offer for sale, at very moderate prices, a choice Assortment of fine flavored Rhenish WINES, as:—
GENUINE JOHANNESBERGER CABINET.
STEINBERGER CABINET.
MARCOBRUNNER CABINET.
SCHARLACHBERGER.
LIEBFRAUENMILCH.
NIERENSTEINER, in quarts and pints.
JOSEPHSHOFER.
RUDESHEIMER BERG.
SELTZER WATER, in quarts and pints.
*Also,*
Ruinart Père & Fils' CHAMPAGNE, in quarts and pints.
GASPAR TESTULATS, in quarts and pints.
PERRIER JOUETS, in quarts and pints.
JULES MUMM, in quarts and pints.
Adolph Collins' BOUZY MOUSSEUX.
Adolph Collins' BOUZY CABINET.
EUGENE CLIQUOT.
Duc de Montebello CORDON, in quarts and pints.
SPARKLING HOCK.
After Dinner CLARET, in pints.
LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.
tf 2358 Hongkong, 15th December, 1868.

*JAPAN TIMES OVERLAND MAIL AND PACIFIC MAIL EXTRA.*
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. having been appointed Agents for the two above-named Newspapers, are prepared to receive orders and subscriptions for the same.
The price of the *Overland Mail*, is $12 per Annum; of the *Pacific Mail Extra*, $3 per Annum, to subscribers to the *Overland Mail*, and $6 to non-subscribers. Subscriptions are in all cases payable in advance, and no charge is made for postage.
tf 2610 Hongkong, 4th December, 1867.

NOTICE.
RENTS AND ACCOUNTS COLLECTED with despatch, and DISTRAINT WARRANTS FOR RENT issued and executed.
SECURITY IF REQUIRED.
THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
53 *Wyndham Street.*
tf 338 Hongkong, 18th February, 1868.

ANDREW MILLAR,
HOUSE, SHIP, AND STEAMBOAT PLUMBER,
COPPERSMITH AND BRASSFOUNDER.
*No. 1, Queen's Road East & Nullah Lane.*
tf 1323 Hongkong, 17th July, 1868.

## Houses, Lands, Tenements, &c.

### TO LET.

TO LET.
THE HOUSE, No. 29, *Wyndham Street*, at present occupied by the undersigned. Hot and cold water and Gas laid on. Possession on the 1st February, or sooner if required.
Apply to
MR. C. STOREY, on the Premises.
tf 56 Hongkong, 7th January, 1869.

TO LET.
THE Premises in Bank Buildings, *Queen's Road Central*, at present occupied by the Cavité and Manila Cigar Depot. Apply to
LANDSTEIN & Co.
tf 21 Hongkong, 4th January, 1869.

TO LET.
THOSE two desirable family residences, Nos. 11 and 13, *Arbuthnot Road*. The Western house, lately occupied by Mr. MELLISH, is ready for immediate occupation, and the Eastern house, now tenanted by Mr. G. F. MACLEAN, will be available on 1st April next.
For particulars, apply to
T. W. BARRINGTON.
tf 30 Hongkong, 4th January, 1869.

TO LET.
THE STORE, at present occupied by Messrs. LAPAGE, OELKE & Co.
Possession can be had on the 1st proximo. Apply to
S. W. BAKER & Co.
tf 3 Hongkong, 2nd January, 1869.

TO BE LET.
THE very desirable business premises lately occupied by Messrs. LYALL, STILL & Co.;—a portion of which are now occupied by Messrs. RUSSELL & Co.—with large and commodious dwelling-house and extensive Godowns on the *Praya*.
For full Particulars, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
tf 2364 Hongkong, 18th December, 1868.

TO BE LET.
A FIRST Rate Granite Godown. Apply at BELLE VUE HOUSE, No. 6, *Hollywood Road*.
CHARLES F. SEABURG.
tf 2284 Hongkong, 7th December, 1868.

CLUB CHAMBERS, D'AGUILAR STREET.
A FEW Sets of these desirable Chambers are now vacant, and can be had on reasonable terms. Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
tf 2147 Hongkong, 14th November, 1868.

TO LET.
*With immediate possession.*
TWO Two-storied Granite Godowns, at *Wanchi*, adjoining the Timber Yard of the UNION DOCK COMPANY. Apply to
LANDSTEIN & Co.
tf 2193 Hongkong, 24th November, 1868.

TO BE LET.
NEW and Strong GODOWNS, *C* and *E*, on Marine Lot No. 63. Apply to
GAVIN THOMSON,
At GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.'s.
tf 2926 Hongkong, 17th December, 1867.

HOUSES TO LET.
IN various Parts of Hongkong. A list of HOUSES with *size, locality* and *terms* can be seen at No. 53, *Wyndham Street*.
THOS. W. BARRINGTON.
tf 642 Hongkong, 11th March, 1867.

TO LET.
THE 10-Room House, "Harperville," situated immediately in rear of the *Albany*; water laid on. Cook-house and Stables detached.
Apply to
FAWCETT & Co.
tf 1315 Hongkong, 2nd July, 1868.

TO LET.
*With immediate possession.*
THE HOUSE and OFFICES, No. 4, *Gough Street*, lately occupied by Messrs. A. WILKINSON & Co. Apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
tf 1957 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

TO LET.
LARGE Airy Rooms—Furnished or Unfurnished. Apply to
A. MILLAR.
*Queen's Road East.*
tf 1926 Hongkong, 10th October, 1868.

TO LET.
A PART of the first Floor, with Office and Godowns, of No. 10, *Queen's Road*. Possession can be had on the 1st October.
Apply to
MÜLLER & CLAUSSEN.
tf 1843 Hongkong, 26th September, 1868.

TO LET.
A CONVENIENTLY Situated HOUSE in *Chancery Lane*. Rent moderate.
Apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
tf 1895 Hongkong, 6th October, 1868.

TO LET.
OFFICES, either furnished or unfurnished, situate on the Ground-floor in Bank Buildings, immediately opposite the New "HONGKONG HOTEL."
For particulars apply on the premises, to
EDMUND SHARP, *Solicitor.*
tf 1109 Hongkong, 16th June, 1868.

TO LET.
THREE Spacious GODOWNS, suitable for Storing Dry Goods; also a Fireproof Godown, capable of containing 1000 chests of Opium. Situated in the most central part of *Queen's Road*. Apply to
C. L. DAVIES, *Secretary,*
*Hongkong Hotel Co., Limited.*
tf 1519 Hongkong, 14th August, 1868.

TO LET.
FOR a term of years, with early possession, those desirable premises in Bank Buildings situated between the Agra Bank and Comptoir d'Escompte, at present in the occupation of the Bank of Hindustan, China, and Japan. The principal building is very suitable for division into Offices or Chambers.
For further particulars, apply to
GILMAN & Co.
tf 697 Hongkong, 17th April, 1867.

NOTICE.—TO LET.
THE desirable PREMISES on the *Queen's Road*, lately in the occupation of the ASIATIC BANK.
For particulars, apply to
SMITH, ARCHER & Co.
tf 929 Hongkong, 19th May, 1868.

LIGHTERAGE AND STORAGE.
THE Undersigned will undertake to land Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Merchandise in their own Boats, and to receive the same on storage in first class GRANITE GODOWNS on moderate terms.
ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.
tf Hongkong, 4th March, 1867.

TO LET.
THE business premises formerly occupied by Messrs. ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., consisting of Dwelling House, Offices, and spacious Godowns.
Possession to be had on the 1st March.
Apply to
JOHN BURD & Co.
tf 373 Hongkong, 24th February, 1868.

TO LET.
TWO HOUSES on *Carlton Terrace*, Spring Gardens, with or without Godowns. Rent moderate. Apply to
LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.
tf 2061 Hongkong, 8th September, 1867.

STORAGE.
FIRST Class Granite Godowns, of about 5,000 Tons capacity, to be had on *Praya West*, with Landing Pier in front.
Separate Godowns for Coals, Saltpetre, &c.
Apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.
tf 2136 Hongkong, 13th November, 1868.

TO LET.
THE whole of the upper part of the house on *Pedder's Wharf*, at present occupied by the undersigned.
Possession on the 15th Proximo.
THOS. HUNT & Co.
tf 1612 Hongkong, 26th August, 1868.

CASE & Co.,
NAGASAKI, KOBE, AND OSACA.
COMMISSION AND GENERAL MERCHANTS.
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INGLIS & Co.,
NAGASAKI, JAPAN.
SHIPCHANDLERS AND GENERAL STOREKEEPERS.
Fullest assortment at the lowest Prices.
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## Insurances.

NOTICE.
BRITISH AND FOREIGN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Insurance Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine risks at Current Rates. Policies can be made payable at all the principal ports throughout the world.
MORGAN LAMBERT & Co., *Agents.*
tf 2113 Hongkong, 7th November, 1868.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.
THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at Current Rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 1938 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.
UNTIL further notice the following Annual Rates will be charged for Fire Insurance, viz:—
Detached & semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from town, and their contents } ¾ per cent.
Other dwelling Houses, used strictly as such, and their contents } 1 per cent.
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents } 1 per cent.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
*Agents Imperial Fire Insurance Company.*
tf 864 Hongkong, 7th March, 1865.

NOTICE.
GUARDIAN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF LONDON.
ESTABLISHED 1821.
CAPITAL £2,000,000.
THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents of the above Company for Hongkong and Canton, are prepared to grant Policies at current rates.
OLYPHANT & Co.
tf 1325 Hongkong, 17th July, 1868.

NOTICE.
IMPERIAL FIRE OFFICE.
FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month ¼ of the annual rate.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 " ½ do. do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 " ¾ do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
*Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company.*
tf 675 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

NOTICE.
LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.
THE following rates will in future be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month ¼ per cent.
Above one month, and not exceeding 3 " ½ "
Above three months, and not exceeding 6 " ¾ "
Above six months, the full annual rate.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., *Agents.*
tf 687 Hongkong, 8th April, 1868.

NOTICE.
QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month ¼ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 " ½ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 " ¾ "
Above 6 months the full annual rate.
MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.,
*Agents the Queen Insurance Company.*
tf 954 Hongkong, 22nd May, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month ¼ of the annual rate.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 " ½ do. do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 " ¾ do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.
GILMAN & Co., *Agents,*
*North British & Mercantile Insurance Company.*
tf 694 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION
LIFE ASSURANCES.
THE Undersigned are authorised to issue Life Policies for sums not exceeding £5,000.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 1959 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON.
INCORPORATED 1859.
CAPITAL, £1,000,000.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept Marine Risks and issue Policies at current rates.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
tf 1351 Hongkong, 7th June, 1867.

PHŒNIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents to the above Companies at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $40,000, on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
tf 2096 Hongkong, 9th November, 1868.

NOTICE.
FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
For one month ¼ of the annual rate.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding three months } ½ do. do.
Above 3 months, and not exceeding six months } ¾ do. do.
Above six months the full annual rate.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
*Agents, Alliance Fire Assurance Company.*
tf 678 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.
Detached & semi-detached Dwelling Houses, removed from town, and their contents } ¾ per cent. per annum
Other dwelling Houses used strictly as such, and their contents } 1 "
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents } 1 "
GILMAN & Co.,
*Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.*
tf 886 Hongkong, 10th March, 1865.

UNION OF HAMBURG UNDERWRITERS
NOTICE.
THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents at Amoy for the Union of Hamburg Underwriters.
All documents to substantiate claims, against these Underwriters must be certified by us, or they will not be recognised.
(Signed) ELLES & Co.
tf 1562 Amoy, 8th August, 1868.

LONDON AND ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE OFFICE,
137, LEADENHALL STREET, LONDON.
JAMES HARTLEY & Co.,—*Managers.*
ESTABLISHED 1843.
THE Undersigned is authorised to accept risks on behalf of this Office, by First Class Steamers.
W. MACAULAY, *Agent.*
tf Hongkong, 1st July, 1867.

## Insurances.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Secretaries and Agents of this Association, are prepared to issue Policies upon Marine Risks at current rates of premium. Policies can be made payable in London, New York, Bombay, Calcutta, Singapore, Hongkong, Foochow and Shanghai.
In addition to the usual brokerage this Association returns to the assured of each year at the close of each current year, fifteen (15) per cent. of the profits of the Company for that year, divided pro rata to the amount of premium paid by each policy-holder.
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November, 1862.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in China for the above INSURANCE COMPANY, are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks at the Current Rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 573 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1867.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO.
THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant POLICIES against Fire on Buildings and Goods, at current rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 366 Hongkong, 7th February, 1867.

BATAVIA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks at current rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 1022 Hongkong, 1st April, 1865.

MERCHANTS' MUTUAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO.
PAID-UP CAPITAL, $500,000.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong and China for the above Company, are prepared to grant POLICIES at current rates.
OLYPHANT & Co.
tf 1852 Hongkong, 10th August, 1867.

REDUCTION
*In the rates of premium for*
FIRE INSURANCE.
THE Undersigned have (as already intimated in their Circular dated 14th October last,) received authority from the Secretary of the Royal Insurance Company to reduce the rate of Premium under certain circumstances, on private residences and on Furnitures and effects therein contained.
In cases of Dwelling Houses removed from the town the rate of premium will be three-quarters per cent. in place of one per cent. per annum as hitherto charged, and in cases of Residences so situated being detached or semi-detached the rate will be further reduced to one-half per cent.
The Royal's annual rates for Fire Insurance on the various classes of Buildings and their contents will therefore remain as follows until further notice, viz:—
Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses (removed from the town) and their contents } ½ per cent.
Other Dwelling Houses (similarly situated) and their contents } ¾ per cent.
Offices and Godowns and their contents } 1 per cent.
First Class China Houses and their contents } 1¼ per cent.
Other Risks by Special arrangement.
ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.,
*Agents, Royal Insurance Company.*
tf 714 Hongkong, 9th November, 1866.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
CAPITAL 2,000,000 DOLLARS, IN 2,000 SHARES OF 1,000 DOLLARS EACH.
*Consulting Committee:*
GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq.
WM. KAYE, Esq.
R. ROWETT, Esq.
S. D. SASSOON, Esq.
F. BUXEY, Esq.
*General Managers,*—
MESSRS. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
HEAD OFFICE, No. 39, QUEEN'S ROAD.
The HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, which expires by effluxion of time in a few months, having proved a highly successful undertaking, it has been determined by a large number of its shareholders to form a permanent Company, under the same management and with increased Capital.
It is proposed to register the Company under the Limited Liability Ordinance, and the amount of the Capital having been fixed at Two Millions of Dollars, it is considered that Insurers will be amply secured thereby, while at the same time each shareholder will know the extent of his individual liability. The Capital proposed to be called up amounts to a large sum, and provision will be made for the creation of an ample Reserve Fund, which will, it is expected, in a very short time accumulate to an amount practically to give the fullest security both to Insurers and Insured, irrespective of the unpaid Capital.
It is intended to anticipate the termination of the Old Company, by dissolving it from and after the 31st December next, and measures are being taken for that purpose.
In anticipating a successful career for the New Company, it is only necessary to present to the public the results of the Old Company, since its establishment in May, 1866, as exhibited by the following figures:—
The total premiums collected from the 11th May, 1866 to the present time, a period of only 2 years and 5 months, amount to ... $304,727.72
The losses which have been paid within the same period, have amounted to ... $130,081.22
and include the large sum of $85,270 lost by the Fire at Hongkong in November, 1867.
The amount now at the Credit of the Working Account, after paying all Expenses, and Re-insurances to date, exceeds ... $160,000.00
These figures fully warrant the most sanguine expectations of success, and it is but reasonable to expect that, strengthened with larger Capital, the present undertaking cannot fail to prove at least as successful as the former one. The Old Company, when it entered the field, had to create a business for itself, but the New one, in taking over the outstanding risks and connections of the Old Company, will at once receive a very large amount of premium, and enter on a profitable and organised business. Moreover, there is no doubt that the risk of Fire in Hongkong has been greatly diminished by the Building Regulations now in force, and by the establishment of a Fire Brigade.
The following are the main features of the New Company:—
1.—A first call of $100, to be paid upon each share on allotment, and a further call of $100 to be paid in Six Months; all further calls to be determined upon at General Meetings of the shareholders.
2.—Interest at 12 per cent. per annum to be in the first instance allowed on the paid up Capital, such Interest to be payable half-yearly, on 30th June, and 30th December. The profits after deducting the said Interest to be applied thus:—20 per cent., *pro rata*, amongst such of the shareholders as shall have contributed or influenced business to the Company, and the remainder in forming a Reserve Fund of $250,000.
3.—When such Reserve Fund shall have been accumulated, the payment of Interest to cease, and the profits to be applied thus:—20 per cent. to be distributed as already mentioned amongst the shareholders who shall have contributed business to the Company; 30 per cent., to the augmentation of the Reserve Fund until it shall reach $1,000,000, at which figure it is to be permanently maintained; and the remaining 50 per cent., to be distributed by way of dividend amongst the shareholders generally.
4.—No shareholder to hold more than 250 shares.
5.—The Company to be managed by General Managers, with the assistance of a Consulting Committee.
6.—The Funds of the Company to be deposited in Banks or in Government Securities, approved of by the Committee.
The Deed of Association may be inspected at the Office of the General Managers, or at the Office of Mr. HENRY C. CALDWELL, the Solicitor of the Company.
2m 2206 Hongkong, 16th December, 1865.

## Insurances.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST, A.D. 1720.
HEAD OFFICE IN LONDON
No. 7, *Royal Exchange, Cornhill, E.C.*
WEST END OFFICE.—No. 7, *Pall Mall, S.W.*
RICHARD BAGGALLAY, Esq.—*Governor.*
JAMES BLYTH, Esq.—*Sub-Governor.*
EDWIN GOWER, Esq.—*Deputy-Governor.*
DIRECTORS.

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| Nathaniel Alexander, Esq. | Harry George Gordon, Esq. |
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| Edward Budd, Esq. | Louis Huth, Esq. |
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| John Entwisle, Esq. | P. F. Robertson, Esq., M.P. |
| G. L. Monck Gibbs, Esq. | W. Bryce Watson, Esq. |
| Robert Gillespie, Esq. | Lestock Peach Wilson, Esq. |

SECRETARY.
JOHN LAURENCE, Esq.
The CORPORATION of the LONDON ASSURANCE have appointed Agents for the issue of Policies for Marine Assurance in INDIA and CHINA as under:—
*Bombay*—Messrs. EWART, LATHAM & Co.
*Madras*—Messrs. ARBUTHNOT & Co.
*Calcutta*—Messrs. MACKILLOP, STEWART & Co.
*Hongkong*—Messrs. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
*Shanghai*—Messrs. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
*Foochow*—Messrs. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
*Mauritius*—Messrs. BLYTH BROTHERS & Co.
The undersigned are prepared to issue Policies of the CORPORATION of the LONDON ASSURANCE, payable either here, in LONDON, at any of the above-named Agencies, and also at
*Melbourne, Victoria*—
Messrs. DALGETY, BLACKWOOD & Co.
*Launceston, Tasmania*—
Messrs. DU CROZ, NICHOLS & Co.
*Hobart Town*—
Mr. LAVINGTON ROOPE.
*Adelaide, S. Australia*—
Messrs. ELDER, SMITH & Co.
*Sydney, New S. Wales*—
Messrs. FANNING, GRIFFITHS & Co.
*Dunedin, Otago, New Zealand*—
Messrs. DALGETY, RATTRAY & Co.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 146 Hongkong, 21st January, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $80,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored thereon.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
tf Hongkong, 24th August, 1864.

FORBES & Co.'s CONSTITUENTS INSURANCE COMPANY,
AND,
BOMBAY INSURANCE COMPANY
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Companies, are prepared to accept risks on the usual terms.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
tf 399 Hongkong, 26th February, 1868.

DE OOSTERLING SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF BATAVIA.
SAMARANG SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAMARANG.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Companies, are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks on the usual terms.
SIEMSSEN & Co.
tf 1678 Hongkong, 3rd August, 1868.

NOTICE.
ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month ¼ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 " ½ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 " ¾ "
Above 6 months, the full annual rate of 1 "
ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.,
*Agents, Royal Insurance Company.*
tf 674 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

JAVA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents at *Hongkong* and *Canton* for the above company, are prepared to grant Policies against *Sea Risks* at current rates.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
6m 1390 Hongkong, 28th July, 1868.

ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY
ESTABLISHED 1838.
CAPITAL, £500,000.
MANAGING AGENTS IN CHINA,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
HONGKONG.
MEDICAL REFEREE,
IVOR MURRAY, Esq., M.D.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Managing Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept risks and issue Policies on Life Assurances.
For further particulars, forms of proposals &c., apply to
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
*Managing Agents in China.*
tf 1416 Hongkong, 15th June, 1867.

NOTICE.
MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month ¼ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 " ½ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 " ¾ "
Above 6 months the full annual rate.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., *Agents.*
tf 698 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

AMICABLE INSURANCE OFFICE.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Insurance Office, are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS, and issue Policies on any First-class Sailing Vessels or Steamers on the usual terms, payable in case of loss, in China, Singapore, Calcutta, Bombay or London.
ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.
tf Hongkong, 8th October, 1863.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.
FOR Insuring Houses and other Buildings, Goods, Wares, Merchandise, Manufacturing and Farming Stock, Ships in Port, Harbours, or Dock, and the Cargoes of such Ships, also, Ships Building and Repairing; Barges and other Vessels on Navigable Rivers and Canals; and Goods on board such Vessels throughout Great Britain and Ireland, and in FOREIGN COUNTRIES, FROM LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE.
The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of $60,000 on any one First Class Risk.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1867.

NOTICE.
SUN FIRE OFFICE.
FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month ¼ of the annual rate.
Above 1 month, but not exceeding 3 " ½ do. do.
Above 3 months but not exceeding 6 " ¾ do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.
A. G. HOGG & Co.,
*Agents, Sun Fire Office.*
tf 676 Hongkong, 9th June, 1868.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.
THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above CORPORATION are prepared to grant FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE on the usual terms.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 3025 Hongkong, 27th December, 1867.

## Insurances.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine risks at current rates.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
tf 471 Hongkong, 6th March, 1868.

NOTICE.
NORTHERN ASSURANCE COMPANY.
FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding one month ¼ of the annual rate.
Above one month, and not exceeding three months } ½ do. do.
Above three months, and not exceeding six months } ¾ do. do.
Above six months the full annual rate.
TURNER & Co., *Agents.*
tf 717 Hongkong, 13th April, 1868.

HAMBURG BREMEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned are now authorized to accept assurance against Fire at Hongkong, and at any of the open ports in China, to the increased amount of $50,000 on one Risk.
WM. PUSTAU & Co., *Agents.*
tf 2105 Hongkong, 7th November, 1868.

LIFE ASSURANCE
THE Undersigned have received authority, by a recent Mail, to issue LIFE POLICIES for amounts not exceeding £1,000 without reference to the Head Offices, as was previously required by the Board.
ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.,
*Agents, Royal Insurance Company*
555 Hongkong, 7th January, 1866.

## Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.—Mr. WILLIAM JUDSON BLYDENBURGH and Mr. GEORGE HURLBUT are admitted partners in our Firm.
Mr. HENRY CUTLER LOW will sign our Firm per procuration.
SMITH, ARCHER & Co.
2m 43 Hongkong, 1st January, 1869.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. ABRAHAM DAVID EZEKIEL in our Firm in China, ceased on the 31st December last, and Mr. CHARLES ELIAS SASSOON has been admitted a partner therein from this date.
E. D. SASSOON & Co.
1m 29 Hongkong, 1st January, 1869.

NOTICE.
MR. D. O. CLARK retires from our firm, and Mr. J. MURRAY FORBES and Mr. E. D. BARBOUR are admitted partners from this date.
RUSSELL & Co.
6m 12 China, 1st January, 1869.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. GEORG WILHELM SCHWEMANN and of Mr. RUDOLPH HEINSEN in our firm ceased on the 31st December, 1867, and 31st December, 1868, respectively.
Mr. FERDINAND NISSEN and Mr. HEINRICH HOPPIUS have this day been admitted partners in our firm at Hongkong and in China, which now consists of Mr. GEORG THEODOR SIEMSSEN, Mr. WOLDEMAR NISSEN, Mr. ADOLPH JOOST, Mr. FERDINAND NISSEN and Mr. HEINRICH HOPPIUS.
SIEMSSEN & Co.
3m 4 Hongkong, 1st January, 1869.

NOTICE.
MR. JAMES B. ROBERTSON and MR. HENRY W. DAVIS are authorized to sign our firm in China and Hongkong from this date.
BULL, PURDON & Co.
China, January 1st, 1869. [3m 1

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. JAMES BENFORD DEACON in our Firm ceased on the 31st December, 1868, and Mr. SIDNEY DEACON is this day admitted a partner.
DEACON & Co.
3m 14 Canton, 1st January, 1869.

NOTICE.
WE have this day established ourselves at this Port as Merchants and Commission Agents, under the firm of
KRUMMENACHER & Co.
J. KRUMMENACHER.
R. RADECKER.
Office: No. 12, Stanley Street,
Hongkong, 1st January, 1869. [tf 13

I HAVE this day authorised Mr. O. LANGDON DAVIES, Public Accountant, to sign my name, appending his initials thereto, and I alone am liable to pay for goods supplied upon orders so signed.
LEE-A-FONG.
tf 2267 Hongkong, 5th December, 1868.

NOTICE.
I HAVE this day established myself as a Public Accountant, Average Adjuster, and General Commission Agent.
O. LANGDON DAVIES.
tf 1243 Hongkong, 1st July, 1868.

FROM and after this date Mr. GEORGE F. BOWMAN will act as Agent of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this Port.
S. L. PHELPS, *Agent.*
tf 1889 Hongkong, 15th August, 1867.

NOTICE.
THE interest and responsibility of Mr. WILLIAM NEILSON in our Firm ceased on the 30th June last.
Mr. TOBIAS PIM, Mr. WILLIAM NISBET OLMSTED, and Mr. H. SEYMOUR GEARY, are authorized to sign our Firm in Hongkong and China from this date.
OLYPHANT & Co.
tf 1901 Hongkong, 6th October, 1868.

MR. WILLIAM MAUNSELL REEVES is authorized to sign our firm by procuration from this date.
E. H. HOW & Co.
1m 2427 Foochow, 21st December, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, carrying on business under the style and firm of BOWRA & Co., expired by lapse of time on 1st May last.
Either of the undersigned will sign the firm, in liquidation, from this date.
FRED. M. HARSANT,
C. A. F. NORRIS.
tf 1880 Hongkong, 1st October, 1868.
Referring to the above notice, the Stock-in-Trade, Goodwill, Fixtures, &c., of this old established business is offered for Sale.

WE have this day established a branch of our firm at Hiogo and Osaka, and Mr. W. MOURILYAN is duly authorized to sign our name, per procuration, at the above ports.
ALT & Co.
Nagasaki, 1st January, 1869.

WITH reference to the above, the business hitherto conducted by me here is this day transferred to Messrs. ALT & Co.
WALTER MOURILYAN.
1m 34 Kobe (Hiogo), 1st January, 1869.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. FREDERICK PEDDER in our firm ceases from this date.
H. D. BROWN & Co.
Amoy, 31st December, 1868.

MR. FRANCIS CHOMLEY is a partner in our firm, which from this date will be conducted under the name of BROWN & Co.
H. D. BROWN & Co.
3m 19 Amoy, 1st January, 1869.

I HAVE established myself at this port, as a GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANT, under the style and firm of GIFFORD F. PARKER & Co.
GIFFORD FORBES PARKER.
Saigon, 20th December, 1867. [tf 50

NOTICE.
MR. C. J. H. SCHRÖDER is authorised to sign our firm per procuration from this date.
SCHWANBECK & THIEL.
tf 2248 Saigon, 14th November, 1868.

NOTICE.
I HAVE this day admitted Mr. J. TAUELSEN a partner in my business, which will in future be carried on under the style and firm of GROTH & TAUELSEN.
J. GROTH.
3m 1945 Ningpo, 1st October, 1868.

## Vessels on the Berth.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.
THE British Steamship
"CATHERINE APCAR,"
Capt. Swanson, will be dispatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY next, the 13th inst., at 2 P.M.
Despatches will close at 1 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
6d 59 Hongkong, 8th January, 1869.

FOR SHANGHAI.
THE Steamship
"UNITED SERVICE,"
expected from Shanghai in a day or two, will meet with quick dispatch.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
THE BORNEO CO. LIMITED.
tf 60 Hongkong, 8th January, 1869.

FOR YOKOHAMA.
THE British steamer
"THALES,"
Captain J. Roskell, will have quick dispatch for the above port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
P. & A. C. CAMAJEE & Co., *Agents.*
tf 30 Hongkong, 5th January, 1869.

FOR MARSEILLES, VIA SINGAPORE.
THE French Brig
"JEANNE AND JOSEPH,"
135 Tons Register, will load at Hongkong and Whampoa for the above named port, and have quick dispatch.
For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
7d 66 Hongkong, 9th January, 1869.

FOR SAIGON.
THE A 1 British Ship
"OCEAN EMPRESS,"
McDonald, Master, will have quick dispatch for the above port.
For Freight, apply to
GRÜN & Co.
tf 61 Hongkong, 8th January, 1869.

FOR NEW YORK.
THE Favorite American Ship
"MAGNET,"
Crosby, Master, having the greater part of her cargo engaged, will load here and at Whampoa, for the above port, and have quick dispatch.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
OLYPHANT & Co.
tf 52 Hongkong, 7th January, 1869.

FOR BANGKOK.
THE Clipper ship
"RED DEER,"
Captain Spence, 775 Tons register, will leave for the above port about THURSDAY next, the 7th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GILMAN & Co.
tf 35 Hongkong, 5th January, 1869.

FOR BOMBAY.
THE British barque
"ESK,"
Capt. Nobbs, having the greater portion of her Cargo engaged, will meet with quick dispatch for the above port.
For Freight, apply to
D. VUSSONJEE & Co.,
*Agents for Charterers.*
1w 36 Hongkong, 5th January, 1869.

FOR MANILA.
THE Spanish Brig
"NUEVO CONSTANTE,"
Fabie, Master, will have quick dispatch as above.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
REMEDIOS & Co.
tf 2437 Hongkong, 29th December, 1868.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
THE A 1 American barque
"PEKIN,"
W. F. Seymour, Master, will have quick dispatch for the above port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
OLYPHANT & Co.
tf 2430 Hongkong, 29th December, 1868.

FOR MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY.
THE British ship
"LYTTLETON,"
Capt. Beck, will have immediate dispatch for the above ports.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ROZARIO & Co.
tf 2424 Hongkong, 28th December, 1868.

FOR NEW YORK.
THE British barque
"GLENDOVEER,"
Capt. Wilson, will load here and at Whampoa, and have immediate dispatch for the above port.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 2408 Hongkong, 24th December, 1868.

FOR MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY.
THE Dutch barque
"ZEPHIR,"
Capt. Oostrum, will have quick dispatch as above.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 2409 Hongkong, 24th December, 1868.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
THE North German barque
"ALBATROSS,"
Capt. Onken, will have quick dispatch as above.
For Freight, apply to
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
tf 2368 Hongkong, 16th December, 1868.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
*To follow the "Marie."*
THE British Ship
"GOLDEN HORN,"
Capt. Rice, will have early dispatch for the above port.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 2254 Hongkong, 3rd December, 1868.

FOR SALE, FREIGHT, OR CHARTER.
THE British Barque
"COSTA RICA,"
293 tons Register, 6,500 piculs capacity.
Apply to
A. G. HOGG & Co.
11d 47 Hongkong, 6th January, 1869.

FOR SALE, FREIGHT, OR CHARTER.
THE British Barque
"ESK,"
404 Tons Register, carrying capacity, dead weight, 11,000 piculs. Apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 2329 Hongkong, 12th December, 1868.

SEAMEN'S HOSPITAL, HONGKONG.
TRUSTEES—
The Colonial-Secretary,
The Honourable W. KESWICK, Esq.
GEO. HEARD, Esq.
The Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Company, (ex officio).
W. STANLEY ADAMS, M.D., *Resident Surgeon,*
Mr. YOUNG, *House Surgeon.*
W. PATERSON, Esq., *Hon. Treasurer.*
TERMS OF ADMISSION—
1st Class (Private Room), per day, $3.00
2nd " (2 Bedded Room), " " $2.00
3rd " (Public Wards) " " $1.00
These charges are inclusive of all Medicines and Attendances, but exclusive of Wines or Articles not in the recognised Dietary Table.
All orders for Admission to Hospital must be countersigned by some responsible Person or Persons resident in the Colony.
(Patients are also admitted on Deposits at the following rates, renewable one day previous to the amount deposited having been expended.
1st Class ... $60.
2nd " ... $40.
3rd " ... $20.)
By order,
W. PATERSON, *Treasurer.*
tf 21 Hongkong 3rd January, 1868.

NOW READY
BOUND VOLUMES of the TRADE REPORT for the year 1867. Price $10.
Apply at the *Daily Press* Office.

## Post-Office Notifications.

*A mail will close.*
For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per *Kwang-tung*, To-morrow, the 12th instant, at 7.30 A.M.
For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per *Cadiz*, on Wednesday, the 13th inst., at 9 a.m.
For Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.—Per *Catherine Apcar*, on Wednesday, the 13th inst at 1 p.m.

MAILS BY THE "*TRAVANCORE*."—
The Contract Packet "*TRAVANCORE*," will be dispatched with the usual Mails for Europe, &c. on TUESDAY, the 12th inst., at 9 A.M., and the Post-Office will be open for the reception of Ordinary Letters, Letters for Registration, Newspapers, Books, &c., until 8 P.M. on the 11th instant. Letters, &c., may be posted in the night box from 8 P.M. on the 11th instant, until 7 A.M. on the following morning.
All Letters posted between 7 and 8 A.M. on the 12th instant, will be chargeable, in addition to the usual postage, with a *Late Fee* of 18 cents.
Payment for Postage Stamps must be made in the current Dollars of the Colony or Bank Notes.
F. W. MITCHELL, *Postmaster General.*
General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 5th January, 1869.

For Yokohama, San Francisco, and the United States of America generally, per Pacific Mail Steamship Company's Steamer *China*, at 2 o'clock on Tuesday, the 19th instant.
All correspondence intended to be forwarded by this opportunity must be superscribed per *China*.
The postage must be prepaid, as follows:—
FOR A LETTER.

| Under ½ oz. | Above ½ oz. and not exceeding 1 oz. | Above 1 oz. and not exceeding 1½ oz. | Above 1½ oz. and not exceeding 2 oz. | For every additional ½ oz. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 8 Cents. | 16 Cents. | 24 Cents. | 32 Cents. | 8 Cents. |

Newspapers or Prices Current 2 cents each.
Under the Convention recently concluded, correspondence forwarded as above will be delivered free at the places of its destination.
F. W. MITCHELL, *Postmaster General*
General Post Office,
Hongkong, 9th January, 1869.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, MARSEILLES AND SOUTHAMPTON;
ALSO,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.
THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "*TRAVANCORE*," Captain C. H. EASTLEY, with Her Majesty's Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this for the above places on TUESDAY, the 12th January, 1869, at 9 A.M.
Cargo will be received on board until noon, and Specie until 4 P.M. on the 11th January.
For Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply at the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong. CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES ARE REQUIRED.
A Written Declaration of the Contents and Value of the Packages for the Overland Route is required by the Egyptian Government, and must be delivered by the Shippers to the Company's Agents with the Bills of Lading or with Parcels; and the Company do not hold themselves responsible for any Detention or Prejudice which may happen from the incorrectness in such declaration.
Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.
W. MACAULAY, *Superintendent,*
Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co.'s Office, Hongkong, 5th January, 1869.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES SERVICES MARITIMES DES MESSAGERIES IMPERIALES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.
STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ALEXANDRIA, MESSINA, MARSEILLES; ALSO, BOMBAY, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.
THE Company's Steamship "*TIGRE*," Commandant BOILEVE, will leave this Port for the above places, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, on MONDAY, the 25th instant, at 9 A.M.
Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.
Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. of the 24th; Specie and Parcels until 5 P.M. of the 24th. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)
For Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply at the Company's office, Hongkong.
CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES ARE REQUIRED.
C. BERTRAND, *Principal Agent.*
Hongkong, 9th January, 1869.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY
THROUGH U.S. MAIL LINE TO NEW YORK.
THE Steamship "*CHINA*," Capt. E. R. WARSAW, will sail from Hongkong for Yokohama and San Francisco on the 19th inst., 3 P.M., precisely.
No Freight received after Noon of the 18th inst.
Passengers are requested to be on board at 2 P.M. day of sailing.
A steamer will leave Shanghai on or about same date, connecting with above-named steamer at Yokohama.
Passengers ticketed through to California, Mexico, Central and South America, the Atlantic States, and to England or France, both via New York, and by lines from Panama and Aspinwall. Return tickets issued at a reduction of 10 per cent. upon the whole amount for the round voyage.
Connections are made at Panama with Steam lines upon the west coast of Central and South America, at Aspinwall with the Royal West India Mail Line, West India and Pacific Steamship Co. (Limited), and the French Transatlantic Co.; and, at New York, with the various lines to Europe. Tickets issued for following Steamship lines, Cunard, Inman, National General Transatlantic Co., New York and Havre Steamship Co., Hamburg American Packet Co., New York and Bremen Steamship Co., and North German Lloyds.
Favorable arrangements have been made for through Passengers and Freight to America from Calcutta, Penang, and Singapore, and from Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.
Through Bills of Lading given for Freight to Ports of Mexico, and on the West Coast of Central and South America to as far as Valparaiso, to New York, Liverpool, Southampton, and St. Nazaire, France.
Freight to San Francisco and New York payable in advance in Mexican dollars, or on delivery in American gold coin, with 8 % additional at Shipper's option.
For further information apply at the Agency of the Company, *Praya West.*
G. F. BOWMAN, *Agent.*
Hongkong, 8th January, 1869.

NEWS AGENCY.
J. B. MORRIS, News Agent, Hongkong, being now prepared to receive orders for any Newspaper or Magazine, published in England or the United States of America, at prices as low as those charged by any Home Agency, begs to solicit the support of the reading Public, and assures those who may favour him with their Orders that the same shall be executed faithfully and promptly.
The latest copies of the best English and American Newspapers received by every mail steamer, also the latest copies of the Shanghai and Japan papers.
For subscription lists, with prices, &c.,
Apply to J. B. MORRIS,
Care of Messrs. BOWRA & Co.,
*Hongkong.*
1y 401 Hongkong, 5th March, 1868.

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WING-KEE COAL SHOP.
THE Proprietor of WING-KEE Shop begs to inform the Public that his Shop had been established since 1855, at *Endicott's Lane*, and that he has always a great quantity of Best COAL in store for Sale. Gentlemen or Shipmasters wishing to patronise him, are requested to apply at his Shop.
1y 401 Hongkong, 27th February, 1868.

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